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BATTLE OPENS UP

Buller's Forces Now Engaged in the Work of Relieving Ladysmith.

THE WOUNDED COMING BACK

Indications Are That Severe Fighting is Already in Progress.

WILL BE NO TURNING BACK

English Confidently Expect Victory But Anticipate Hard Battle.

London, Jan. 18.—A special from Durban dated Wednesday says:

Advices from Potgieter's Drift dated yesterday say Sir Charles Warren has arrived within seventeen miles of Ladysmith and that the British wounded are arriving at Mooi River field hospital by every train from the front, indicating that there has already been severe fighting.

Neither report is yet confirmed.

London, Jan. 19.—The military critics in affiliation with the war office consider that the expected battle along a wide arc south and west of Ladysmith, can hardly be delayed beyond today. From Durban it is reported that the fighting has already begun.

Gen. Buller's forces engaged in the flanking operations across the Tugela, are some 13,000 or 14,000 bayonets 1200 horses and 40 guns. The disposition of his other 15,000 or 20,000 men is not known, although the assumption is that the whole army will be in action when the hour for a combined movement arrives.

Three weeks ago Gen. Buller had 30,000 men. Considerable reinforcements have since reached him, giving him 35,000 men and eighty guns all told.

The estimates of how many men and guns the Boers have to oppose him is mere guess work. In not replying to Gen. Littleton's shells they are using the tactics of the battles of Magersfontein and Colenso, lying low in the trenches and thus hoping to conceal the precise position until the infantry advanced.

The Daily Chronicle's military expert sees a curious analogy between Gen. Buller's situation now and the one of Magersfontein, now, as then, the Boers making their stand with their backs to the investing lines within a few miles. As Lord Methuen, after crossing Modder River, had to attack Spytfontein and Magersfontein hills, so Gen. Buller, after passing Tugela, faces invisible entrenchments in a rough country.

One correspondent mentions Gen. Buller's wheeled transport of 5000 vehicles, which connect him with the rail head, about 30 miles to the rear. Among these vehicles are 30 traction engines, which draw from ten to 15 wagons each.

Gen. Buller's warning as to the misuse of the white flag by Boers in his proclamation to the troops is considered rather a broad hint to give no quarter. His phrase, "There will be no turning back," is played upon editorially by the morning papers as presaging cheerful announcements.

Absorbing interest is felt in the situation in Natal and makes other points in the theatre of war seems microscopic.

Lord Methuen lies behind his works at Modder River. It is estimated his forces will have to be nearly or quite doubled before he can relieve Kimberley.

The British reinforcements are moving toward French at Rensberg. With these he is expected to advance. Gen. Gatacre's men occupy Lopesburg, a slight advance.

The war office announces that next week there will be embarked 72 guns, 3710 men and 221 horses. This is the largest consignment of artillery ever sent abroad. The war office invites 500 volunteers for the sharpshooters' battalion of the Yeomanry.

Sir Wm. McCormack, in the Lancet, says that of the 809 wounded in the hospitals and visited by him only eight have been hit by shells.

The Cape Town correspondent of the Times, in discussion of the Afrikander disloyalty, says: "I believe the sympathy of every Dutchman in South Africa is with the two republics, that a general rising is still quite possible. However, there is nothing to indicate the bond party as a whole in the officially organized conspiracy against the imperial government, although the bond leaders have winked at or pandered to sedition in order to preserve their popularity.

"The British failures and appearance of the Boers on the British territory have fomented a rebellion, but even now a decisive victory would prevent its further spread."

This correspondent testifies to the value of the services rendered by Schreiner, the Cape premier, in the embarrassing position. He speaks less highly of Hofmeyr, the real leader of the bond party, and severely condemns the Dutch press of the colony, which, he says, "is doing its utmost, while keeping on the windy side of the law, to promote a rebellion and envenom racial antagonism. The British losses in killed wounded and captured to date is 7927 officers and men.

Buller is Bombarding.

London, Jan. 18—The war office received a message from Buller at Spearman's Camp dated today which says the enemy's position is being bombarded at Potgieter's Drift. Warren crossed the Tugela five miles further up and the enemy there is entrenching.

Gen. Roberts reports from Cape Town: "Gatacre reports 300 men of all ranks have been moved from Bushman's Hoeck to Hoperberg, and the 74th field battery and one company of mounted infantry from Sterkstroom to Bushman's Hoeck.

NO TURING BACK

Buller and His Force Going to the Relief of Ladysmith.

Mount Alice near Potgieter's Drift, Natal, Monday, Jan. 15—A forward movement for the relief of Ladysmith began Wednesday, Jan. 10, from Frere and Chieveley. Lord Dundonald's mounted brigade with the 5th brigade under Gen. Hart comprising Dublin's Connaughts, Inniskillings and a Border regiment, proceeded northwesterly to Springfield. The position had previously been thoroughly reconnoitered. A few miles outside of Frere Lord Dundonald passed targets erected by the Boers to represent a force advancing in skirmishing order. Evidently the Boers had been firing at these from the adjacent hills.

Lord Dundonald pushed on and as the main column advanced it was noticed that Springfield was not occupied by the Boers and that the fifth brigade had taken possession. The British transport extended several miles, comprised 5000 vehicles.

The mounted brigade advanced rapidly not meeting any opposition. The British scouts had minutely searched all the suspicious country, but there was no sign of the enemy.

The column advanced to Mount Alice, facing the enemy's mountain fortress.

The Boers had been at Potgieter's Drift the previous day, but a body of South African horse swam the stream under fire and brought over the point from the Boer's side. The Boers were evidently surprised at the appearance of the British on the scene. A long camp could be seen on Tugela Heights facing Mount Alice, but the enemy quickly struck camp and cleared off into the mountains. A buggy was seen leaving the foothills on the right, presumably with Gen Joubert or some other commandant. Gen. Buller took up quarters in the pleasantly situated farm house belonging to Martinus Pretorus, who had disappeared.

On Friday a loud explosion was heard. Subsequently it was found that the Boers had destroyed the bridge under construction seven miles above Potgieter's Drift.

Gen. Buller has issued a spirited appeal and instruction to the forces, beginning: "We are going to relief of our comrades in Ladysmith. There is no turning back."

The order proceeds to advise men, when they charge, regarding conditions under which they should receive the surrender of any enemy. It also warns them that the Boers are treacherous in the use of the white flag.

The order was received with enthusiasm in every camp.

The march was very trying, but the troops are now encamped amid very pleasant surroundings. Their health is excellent, all are confident.

SHELLED BOER TRENCHES

Enemy Retreated Before the English at Spearman's Farm.

Spearman's Farm, Natal, Jan. 18—General Lyttleton's brigade with the howitzer battery crossed the Tugela river at Potgieter's Drift Tuesday, Jan. 16. The water rose about the waists of the men. The Boers fired two shots and then recalled their forces to the trenches, the passage being uninterrupted.

The British advanced in skirmishing order and the small kopjes on the summits were occupied by 6:30 p. m. During the night it rained heavily.

Yesterday the Boer trenches were vigorously shelled in front of Mount Alice, while the British remained in possession of the kopjes and plain. Heavy mists enveloped the hills, but the naval guns and howitzer battery made good practice, thoroughly searching the trenches. On the Boer right a breach was made in the sand bag emplacement, where it is supposed the Boer's guns had been placed.

The cannonade was heavy and continuous, and the Boers were observed leaving the trenches in small parties. The hill facing the British position was shelled next. General Warren has forced a passage of the Tugela seven miles to the left.

Over the River.

London, Jan. 18.—The following from Gen. Roberts dated Cape Town says: "I received a telegram from Buller stating that one brigade and the howitzer battery crossed the Tugela river at Potgeiters Drift. Warren has thrown a pontoon bridge over the river and by this part of his force crossed yesterday. The remainder is expected by this morning to be on the north bank. Warren hopes he will be able to turn the enemy's position, which is five miles off to his right front being strongly entrenched."

Blew Up Culverts.

Sterkstroom, Jan. 18—Yesterday the Boers blew up three culverts on the Dordrecht line five miles beyond an outpost of the police camp. The commando at Dordrecht numbers 1000.

Makes Marlborough Captain.

London, Jan. 18—The war office announces the appointment of the Duke of Marlborough as a staff captain in connection with the imperial Yeomanry being organized for service in South Africa.

MARQUIS IS MAD

Count Castellane's Father is Wroth Over the Figaro's Publication

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A DUEL IS IN SIGHT

Owing to the Son's Absence the Marquis Will Take His Place.

Paris, Jan. 18.—The Matin says it is rumored that Count Castelane, husband of Anna Gould, has lost three millions in France by an unlucky speculation

Marquis Castellane, father of Count Boni, denies emphatically the story of the count's speculating.

Further inquiries were made at the best sources of information, which however, are not willing to be quoted, indicate that Castellane is involved in speculation in the anticipation of a rise in stocks on account of the expected easy British victory in the Transvaal. The British reverses caused such a depression it was impossible for him to meet the losses with ready money. The speculations it is understood have been through private sources, therefore it is difficult to secure absolute confirmation of the reports.

The count's father gave a fresh turn to the affair by writing a letter to the editor of the Figaro Fernand Deroudays, intimating that he must be prepared to fight a duel with the count on the latter's return or even with the marquis himself. The marquis says: "If my son were not on the sea for New York he would undertake to demonstrate to you the emptiness of this tittle tattle and would request from you reparation on the grounds he would choose. In his absence I take his place. Your scandalous insinuation is a mere political trick which others would describe as Dreyfusard."

STOCKMEN'S DEMAND

Want to Rent Grazing Lands of Government at Reasonable Price.

Ft. Worth, Jan. 18—The national live stock convention today adopted the following resolution:

"That such of the public lands of the United States as are adapted for grazing should be subject to lease by stockmen who are citizens at reasonable rental under such conditions as will tend to preserve the grasses from destruction and improve the value of the grasses thereon."

The convention adopted a resolution offered by Mr. Roberts, of Texas, against a change by railroads from carload rates to 100 pound rate. It also endorsed a resolution asking the department of agriculture to investigate the parasite disease of sheep.

Among speakers today were J. H. Pickerell of Illinois, Col. R. E. Edmonson, of Missouri, who spoke on the "Western march of the thoroughbred."

In Honor of McCorkle.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 18.—The 18th annual dinner of the board of trade was held tonight. One of the guests of honor was ex-Governor William A. McCorkle of West Virginia, who spoke upon the topic: "Attitude of the Progressive South in Promoting Country and Foreign Trade."

Congressman Wm. P. Hepburn spoke on "How Shall We Enlarge Our Labor Fields?"

The Kentucky Contest.

Frankfort, Jan. 18—The hearing of evidence on behalf of Goebel and Beckham, the democratic contestants before the joint legislative contest board was completed today. The hearing of the evidence of Gov. Taylor and Lieut.-Gov. Marshall will begin tomorrow. The witnesses today were mainly from Louisville, the principal evidence being in regard to alleged military interference there.

No News of Ladysmith's Relief.

London Jan. 19.—At midnight the war office announced it had no further news for publication. When questioned with regard to the rumored British victory and the relief of Ladysmith, the officials replied that they had received no information to bear out either feature of the rumor, and were inclined to think serious fighting must precede the relief of the town.

Donohue & Henneberry Quit.

Chicago, Jan. 18—Michael A. Donohue today petitioned the circuit court for a dissolution of the firm of Donohue & Henneberry, which since 1871 has conducted a printing and publishing establishment in Chicago. The petition asks the court to appoint a receiver to take temporary charge of the business during the dissolution of partnership and division of the assets, aggregating nearly $500,000.

Names T. J. Henderson.

Washington, Jan. 18—President McKinley has nominated Thos. J. Henderson of Illinois to be the civilian member of the board of ordnance and fortifications.

Kiplings Go to Cape Town.

London, Jan. 19—Rudyard Kipling and family will sail for Cape Town Saturday.

TRAGEDY AT HILLSBORO

Hillsboro Man Mistakes His Wife For a Burglar.

Hillsboro, Jan. 18—The town is stirred to an exciting pitch over the shooting of a Mrs. Ed Moore which occurred on Wednesday night. About 10 o'clock the neighbors heard a pistol shot and when they rushed into the house they found Moore bending over the prostrate form of his wife. To them Moore seemed much excited and he explained that he had mistaken her for a burglar and shot her as she was coming from one of the bedrooms into the sitting room where he and a man named Charles Lannigan were playing cards. A physician was called by the neighbors after they arrived, but he could do nothing to save the woman's life. The bullet had entered her forehead and she died within a short time after being shot.

A jury was impannelled and an inquest over the remains was begun late in the afternoon. The husband who did the shooting, was first examined. He deposed that he and Flannigan were in the sitting room playing cards. He heard a noise in the kitchen and went into his bedroom where he supposed his wife was lying asleep to get his revolver. Returning to the room in which he was sitting when he heard the noise he saw some one approaching from another bedroom and to look his revolver and fired. After he had shot to discovered his horrible mistake. Witness said further that he care and his wife in a frantic manner after he saw his blunder and begged her to forgive him as he had supposed that she was a burglar.

Flannigan was the next witness called. He told substantially the same story as that told by Moore. After his testimony was given one or two of the neighbors were called to the stand and an adjournment was then taken until 8 o'clock this forenoon.

Moore is a coal miner and has been a resident of Hillsboro for several years. Mrs. Moore was about 29 years old. For several months past it is said the couple have not been living happily together. On two occasions their quarrels have resulted in a separation but they have patched up their differences and gone to living together again. It is said that when the inquest is resumed today the officials will sift the case to the bottom to see if Moore told the truth about mistaking her for a burglar.

Cabinet is United.

London, Jan. 18—Sir Matthew White-Ridley, home secretary, speaking at Blackpool this evening said: "On behalf of my colleagues and myself I would say we all share a full responsibility, for the cabinet, which like the nation, has been united from the beginning. There is no doubt that when the proper time comes for the cabinet to justify it's course, the justification will be sufficiently simple.

"What gives me the most pleasure is the demonstration of the country, no less than the government, that having a quarrel forced upon us, we must bring it to a successful issue.

"It's not the business of the press to criticise the actions of our gallant generals in the field. There is none of them who does not possess the full confidence of the country and the government."

Gen. Wheeler's Status.

New York, Jan. 18.—A special to the Times from Washington says: "If Gen. Joseph Wheeler expects to return to Washington to take a seat in congress, without further formality it looks as if he would meet with disappointment. Inquiry has been made since the announcement has been made that he has been relieved from further duty in the Philippines and it is found that there is general agreement on both sides of the house that it has been clearly shown by the examination of the case of Low, and other precedents, that he has forfeited his right to a seat in congress, and that the only thing open to him is to go back to his district and seek reelection, if he desires to continue service in congress."

Australians Were Ambushed.

Rensberg, Cape Colony, Jan. 18.—A patrol composed of 16 men men of New South Wales Lancers and the South Astralians were ambushed yesterday by the Boers and overwhelmed, after a severe fight. Two men escaped and arrived in camp.

This morning a patrol visited the scene of the fight and found five dead Australians and one wounded.

It appears that when the Australians encountered the first body of the Boers they found their retreat cut off, and they galloped for a near-by kopje hoping to beat off the Boers, but on arriving found another force of Burghers concealed there.

Six more Australians have returned. The rest were captured.

Applied For Membership.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Sir Thomas Lipton, owner of last year's American cup challenger, Shamrock, has applied for membership in the Chicago board of trade. The rule of the board require that applicants be endorsed by two members of the board. In Sir Thomas' case, John C. Hately and Henry Botsford, wealthy packers, are sponsors.

Former Policeman Killed.

Kansas City, Jan. 18—John J. Kelley, a former policeman was shot and killed in a saloon quarrel this afternoon by Worth Bailey a bartender. Bailey was arrested.

Occupy Prieska.

Craddock, Cape Colony, Jan. 18—On Saturday Jan 13 the Boers with commando of colonial rebels occupied Prieska a village on the Orange River about 107 miles northwest of De Aar.

THE CENSUS BILL

Passed By the House After Defeating Private Printing Contract Amendment.

PRINTERS OPPOSED TO IT

They Feared Some of the Work Might Be Done By Rat Offices.

TELLER ON FINANCIAL BILL

Objects to the Measure As Unwise At This Time.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The house today passed the senate bill to extend the powers of the director of the census, after striking out the committee amendment to authorize the director to contract for extra printing with private contractors. The whole fight was upon that amendment The influence of the public printer and labor organizations of the country were employed against it and after a lively debate of several hours it was overwhelmingly defeated. The publication of the reports of the 12th census will therefore be made by the public printer as in the past.

The house went into committee of the whole on the senate bill extending the scope of the 12th census.

It was decided to close the general debate at 4 o'clock.

Mr. Hopkins explained that the bill, with the exception of the fourth section met unanimous approval of the census committee. This section authorizes the director of the census to contract outside of the government printing office for printing census reports.

Hopkins, defending the section, said the public printer would be given as much of the printing as he could do. The rest could be done as well and cheaply outside. He assured the house that this work would be performed by union labor. No "rat" office in the country could do this work.

Amendments were adopted for collection of statistics relating to deaf, dumb and blind and to require the collection of statistics regarding mines, mining and minerals.

When section four was reached Hopkins offered the following substitute for it: "That the public printer shall establish in the public printing office a division or branch printing office which shall be under the direction and control of the public printer of sufficient capacity to meet the demand, etc., of the census act."

The committee amendments as modified were bitterly opposed by a score of members and overwhelmingly defeated.

The bill then passed.

A conference was ordered on the house amendments. The following conferees appointed: Hopkins, Illinois; Russell, Connecticut; Griffith, Indiana. Adjourned.

ADVOCATES A REPUBLIC

Senator Wellington Wants the Filipinos Guaranteed Self Government.

Washington, Jan. 18—For an hour today Mr. Wellington the representative of Maryland occupied the attention of the senate, continuing the debate on Philippine question. He took as his text the resolution he introduced last Tuesday, declaring that the United States should not take permanent possession of the archipelago but, after subduing the insurrection which he sincerely deplored—should confer upon the Filipinos the right to govern themselves, affording them such protection as they might need.

Senator Teller, the silver republican of Colorado resumed his speech on the financial bill in the course of which he arraigned Secretary Gage for his negotiations with the National City Bank of New York.

Mr. Allen offered a resolution asking if any one had been accredited to this government from the Transvaal; if he had been officially accepted; if not, why not. It went over under objection.

Mr. Ross of Vermont, offered a resolution reciting the provisions of the constitution, unaided by act of congress, do not extend over Porto Rico and Philippines; that a separate department government is demanded to take charge of all outlying dependencies.

Mr. Wellington of Maryland, addressed the senate on his resolution declaring it not the purpose of the United States to hold permanent possession of Philippines, and declaring the inhabitants have privilege, under the protection of the United States, of establishing a republic.

Mr. Wellington opposed expansion and said history indicated that an imperial destiny had wrecked many republics. He spoke of the destruction of Cervera's fleet and made a strong claim for Schley as the hero of it. He declared, though much time had elapsed since then there was no indication that we intend to keep faith with the Cubans, but there is every indication that the "power of syndicates, cabals and combinations, will be continued in Cuba under the despotism of a military government."

The speaker argued for the independence of the Filipinos.

During a recess of congress it was the president's duty to uphold American authority in the islands. The responsibility devolved now on congress, and his resolution set forth his idea how that responsibility should be discharged.

Mr. Teller criticised the pending bill because it afforded an opportunity to the banks to issue paper money.

He then read the now famous letter of Vice President A. B. Hepburn of the National City Bank of New York to Secretary Gage. He said that when he saw the bank presidents taking such actions in politics as indicated by Hepburn's letter, he was satisfied the situation demanded the severe criticism if not drastic action. He reviewed the monetary conditions in foreign countries and declared this not a safe time to affect a change in our monetary system.

Without completing his remarks Teller suspended for the day, promising to continue at some later date. The senate then at 4:55 went into executive session and at 5:10 adjourned.

CASE ABOUT CLOSED

Prosecution in Molineux Trial Will Finish Today.

New York, Jan. 18.—Assistant District Attorney Osborne announced today that the prosecution tomorrow will close the case against Roland B. Molineux charged with the murder of Mrs. Catherine J. Adams. The prosecution today introduced two more handwriting experts who testified that the handwriting of the "Cornish" and "Barnet" letters and of the poison package address were identical with that of Molineaux.

James S. Hudson, salesman, formerly associated with H. C. Barnet, offered testimony which tended to show that Barnet received things anonymously through the mails and that the defendant bought such remedies in the name of H. C. Barnet. Vincent V. Hammill, president of the private remedy agency, who treated by mail the bogus H. C. Barnet, alleged by the prosecution to be Molineaux, for impotency, testified to a correspondence with the so-called Barnet.

COULDN'T AGREE

Committee to Contract For Grain Handling at Buffalo Ask More Time.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 18.—The committee on the Lake Carriers' Association, which has been considering the granting of a contract for handling grain at Buffalo the coming season, reported this afternoon it could make no decision now, and asked to be continued in office. This convention was agreed to without debate, the committee will meet at Buffalo in the near future. A committee was appointed to go to Washington to urge upon congress the necessity of the projected improvements in the Soo river, Lake St. Clair channel and Limekiln Crossings of Detroit river. Congress will also be asked for an additional revenue cutter for service in the Soo river.

The association re-elected Harvey Gould of Cleveland, counsel; Capt. McKay, Cleveland, treasurer; C. H. Keep, Cleveland, secretary; Albert H. Rumsey, Cleveland, shipping master.

RYAN PRESIDENT

At the Head of Miners' Scale Committee at Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Jan. 18—The scale committee met this afternoon and organized with W. D. Ryan of Illinois, president, and W. H. Haskins, of Ohio, secretary. After the adjournment of today's session the committee again met and decided to take no action until after the election of officers. President Mitchell recommended an indorsement of the resolution adopted at the Detroit convention, advising all members affiliated with the American federation of labor to withdraw from the Knights of Labor. In adopting the report of the delegation the convention heartily indorsed the resolution as suggested by President Mitchell.

Resolutions were adopted to abolish the "pluck me" stores; and to compel operators when the men are not working to pay for full time in cash.

To Continue Canal.

Chicago, Jan. 18—The Post says: "Congress will be petitioned by the drainage board to complete the great artificial waterway from Lake Michigan to the Gulf of Mexico. The lowering of the bear trap dam at Lockport yesterday practically marked the completion of the project to the limit of jurisdiction of the sanitary district. The United States will now be asked officially to take charge and develop the Desplaines and Illinois rivers below Joliet. The estimated cost is $25,000,000.

Lumbermen Elect.

Minneapolis, Jan. 18.—The Northwestern Lumbermen's Association closed its tenth annual session today. The following officers were elected.

President, John E. Foley, New Hampton, Ia.; vice president, W. E. Blodgett, Fairbault, Minn.; directors, Maynard Crane, Cooperstown, N. D.; Ralph H. Burnsides, Oskaloosa, Ia.; J. F. Anderson, Chamberlain, S. D.; E. J. Skervis, Inwood, Iowa.

Smallpox At Marshalltown.

Marshalltown, Jan. 18.—Several cases of smallpox in a mild form have developed today in the house occupied by negroes in the central part of the city. Two families in different wards are reported affected. Strict quarantine regulations are being enforced there, and there is little apprehension of the disease spreading.

No Change At Peoria.

Peoria, Jan. 18.—The water from Chicago drainage canal has apparently reached here. The river is rising two inches an hour. There is no appreciable difference in the appearance of the water.

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Against Supreme Court of Honor Decided at Springfield in Favor of Mrs. Cohn.

FRED SIBLEY GOES FOR LIFE

Jury in the Circuit Court at Taylorville Took No Stock in Alibi.

NEWS FROM THE NEARBY TOWNS

Springfield, Jan. 16.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Anna Cohn against the Supreme Court of Honor returned into the Sangamon circuit court yesterday morning with a verdict finding the issues for the plaintiff and assessing her damages at $2,131.10.

Mrs. Cohn sued to recover $2000 on a policy held by her husband, Max Cohn, who died in May, 1898. Cohn was engaged in the business of a pawnbroker at 120 North Fifth street. The Court of Honor refused to pay the amount of the policy to Mrs. Cohn after her husband's death, claiming fraud had been practiced in making application for the policy. It was claimed by the defense that Cohn stated when the physical examination was made by the Court of Honor doctor, that he had never had certain diseases. Other physicians were put on the stand who swore that they had treated Cohn for these same diseases. The evidence seemed to be against the plaintiff, and there was surprised that such a verdict had been returned. It was thought that the jury would not agree.

CONFERENCE WEDNESDAY

Gov. Tanner Will Be Asked to Call a Special Session.

Springfield, Jan. 15.—Arrangements have been made between the governor and a committee of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association of Chicago for a conference in this city Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock. The association comes to ask the governor to call a special session of the legislature to remedy the revenue law so as to protect the people of Chicago and Cook county from extortionate taxation. The decision of the supreme court holding invalid the clause in the present law limiting the total tax levy in that county 5 per cent of the assessed valuation has presented a chance for extravagance and largely increased taxation, and it is for the purpose of having the defect in the law remedied so that the limit may be 5 per cent that this extra session will be asked.

CALL IT CHICKENPOX

Residents of Downs Decline to Regard the Disease Seriously.

Down, Jan. 16.—Dr. C. S. Nelson, of Springfield, was here Saturday and went into Downs township. He found a few mild cases of smallpox. If reports are true there are a few more cases that he did not get to see. In most cases over the county the prevailing disease is called chickenpox by the people. They claim there is no danger and do not try to stamp the disease out. Under existing conditions we are likely to have an epidemic extending all over the country. One reason for this carelessness is that no one has died so far, and people conclude that no danger exists. Most of the children in the district of Downs have already been exposed and the disease will have to run its course. An effort could be made to stamp it out before it gets beyond control.

WILL INVITE DEWEY

The Admiral Will be Asked to Attend Grand Army Encampment.

Jacksonville, Jan. 16.—Capt. J. B. Inman, of this city, state commander of the G. A. R.; Chas. S. Rannells, chairman of the republican state committee; "Buck" Hinrichsen and M. F. Dunbar of Jacksonville, left Chicago last night, for Washington, to invite Admiral Dewey to attend the state encampment of the Grand Army, at Jacksonville May 2 and 3. The admiral will be in Chicago May 1 and Capt. Inman and the Jacksonville people believe they can induce him to run down there before returning east.

SENTENCED FOR LIFE

Fred Sibley, One of Mrs. Brunot's Murderers, is Found Guilty.

Taylorville, Jan. 16.—Fred Sibley was convicted of complicity in the murder of Mrs. Jane Brunot, a wealthy widow from Dana, Ind., who was visiting relatives near Assumption last summer and sentenced to the penitentiary for life. Henry Brunot, a nephew of the murdered woman, has also been sentenced to imprisonment for life. Neither of the youths is over 19 years of age. Each accused the other of the actual murder. They wanted to secure Mrs. Brunot's money.

Northcott Informally Endorsed.

Litchfield, Jan. 16.—Lieut. Gov. W. A. Northcott visited Litchfield today and met delegations of republicans from Hillsboro, Nokomis, Raymond, Donnelson, Walshville and numerous country precincts, in the interest of his candidacy for renomination. At an informal meeting in the city hall tonight Mr. Northcott was called upon and made a rousing speech, after which the large number of leading republicans present voted unanimously in favor of instructing the delegates from this county to the state convention for him.

Murdered His Mother-in-Law.

Lewiston, Ill., Jan. 16.—The Fulton county grand jury indicted William H. Thomas at Vermont for the murder of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Jane Fowler, last May. Shortly after taking supper with the accused Mrs. Fowler was taken violently ill and died as soon as she reached the home of her son, Dr. W. O. Fowler. An analysis of her stomach is said to have revealed the presence of arsenic in large quantities. Thomas was admitted to bail in the sum of $10,000.

Jacksonville Store Burns.

Jacksonville, Ill., Jan. 16.—Fire damaged two of the leading business houses of Jacksonville. Flames broke out in the third story of Foster's book and stationery store, and though soon extinguished, the stock was badly water soaked. The damage is $5000; insurance $12,000. Fire originating in the cellar of Andrews' Bros.' grocery damaged their stock considerably. Their insurance is $5000.

Bicycles For Manila.

Peoria, Jan. 16.—The Patee Bicycle company has received a cable order from Manila for 50 bicycles. The charges on the message were $42.50 prepaid. The wheeling in Manila is said to be very good and many bicycles are seen on the streets of Manila in the evening, mixed with the fine carriages that turn out by hundreds on the promenade for the band concerts.

Boer Sympathizers.

Springfield, Jan. 16—At the meeting of the city council a resolution was introduced by Alderman Thomas White expressing sympathy for the Boers. The resolution was adopted without a dissenting vote.

Dead In the Field.

Quincy, Ill., Jan. 16.—Morris Heaton, aged 45 years, was found dead on his farm near Stillwell. He went out into a field to feed his stock and an epileptic fit is supposed to have caused his death.

CIRCUIT COURT

Refined Audience Listens to Rare and Tempting Morsels.

The entire time of the circuit court Tuesday was given to the suit of Ella Baker vs. James Gavin who is defending a breach of promise charge. The defense has called young men with whom the plaintiff is alleged to have been on familiar terms and the testimony is of that class which draws a select audience. The attorneys do not spare the witnesses and no details are lacking.

These were the orders entered yesterday.

CHANCERY.

Clarence Matthews vs. People's Savings and Loan association, et al; chancery. Referred to master for proof and conclusion.

Florence E. Davis vs. Allen M. Davis, divorce. Motion to set aside default or leave to answer.

Nellie Jackson vs. Louis E. Jackson; divorce. Petition to modify dismissed and cause stricken.

James L. Malone vs. Ella A. Malone; divorce. Decree pro confesso.

Edward L. Pegram vs. Arcenoth H. Allen, et al; partition. Decree pro confesso and referred for proof and conclusion.

Just. A. Fombelle vs. Alexander J. Wooster, et al; partition. Referred to master.

John B. Prestly vs. James Milligan et al., foreclosure. Master's report approved. Cause heard and decree for $4040.61 and costs.

LAW.

People of the State of Illinois for use, etc., vs. Samuel McBride et al.; debt. Suit dismissed as per stipulation on file.

People of State of Illinois vs. Samuel McBride et al.; debt. Same order.

Isabella McHenry vs. Wm. H. Spearling; trespass on the case. By agreement suit dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Flora A. Toar for use of etc. vs. John E. Braden etc., garnishee. Continued. Same order in two cases.

Just before court adjourned Monday noon the divorce case of Gertrude Maltby vs. Harry Maltby was heard. The parties lived at Blue Mound and the wife made the plea that her husband was an habitual drunkard and had on several occasions cruelly beat her. Her mother, brother, grandmother and a hired hand on the farm substantiated her charges and after hearing the testimony the court granted the divorce.

GRANT MUST EXPLAIN

Is Liable For Contempt in Failing to Obey Instructions.

Yesterday Judge Hammer entered an order that John B. Grant should appear on January 26 and show cause why he should not be attached for contempt of court.

The order was entered in response to a petition by David Patterson administrator of the estate of Mary B. Grant. In the settlement of that estate Mr. Patterson demanded from Grant certain notes held by the latter. Grant replied that the notes were his personal property. There was a contest before Judge Hammer to decide the question. Judge Hammer ruled that money to the amount of $100 held by Grant belonged to the estate of his deceased wife and ordered him to surrender the money to the administrator within 21 days. From that decision Grant gave notice of an appeal and was allowed 20 days in which to file his appeal bond. He failed to perfect the appeal and now the heirs of the estate through the administrator asks that he appear and show cause why he is not liable for contempt. The hearing will be on January 26.

PIATT COUNTY INSTITUTE

Will Be Held at Monticello Next Week.

The farmers of Piatt county will hold their annual institute in Monticello Thursday and Friday, Jan. 25 and 26 and the distinguished guest will be Samuel W. Allerton, of Chicago, who is quite an extensive land owner in Piatt county. He has promised to deliver an address before the institute. The University of Illinois will also be well represented on the program. On Friday morning A. D. Shamel of the university, will speak on "Corn Culture and Breeding" and in the afternoon of the same day Dean Davenport of the College of Agriculture will speak on "Losses From Live Stock and How to Prevent Them." This is not the extent of the Champaign county representation for C. H. VanFleck, the well known Philo business man, will read an interesting and valuable paper on "Good Roads Without Rock, Sand or Gravel."

To Crowley.

P. P. Laughlin left yesterday for Crowley, La., He was accompanied by the following who go to look over the rice lands of the Crowley district: M. W. Patterson, Casner; Thomas Overmyer, Niantic; A. H. and Linder Hill, of Decatur. Dr. J. N. Randall, who is one of the officers of the Macon County Irrigation company also accompanied the party.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Annual Report of Condition of Schools by Supt. Bayliss.

Hon. Alfred Bailss, state superintendent of public instruction, yesterday forwarded the following statistics of Illinois schools to Hon. W. T. Harris, commissioner of education at Washington, D. C.:

Number of children enumerated between ages of 6 and 21, males, 775,439; females, 763,706; total, 1,539,145. This number is not considered large enough, as the school census for the city of Chicago has not been taken since the spring of 1898. Number of pupils enrolled in schools, males, 477,990; females 467,153; total, 945,143; average daily attendance, 720,782; total number of days attended by all pupils enrolled, 115,904,425; average number of days public schools were kept, 159.6; number of buildings used for school houses 12,762; estimated value of school property, $49,138 721; number of pupils enrolled in public high schools, 38,030; number of pupils enrolled in private and parochial schools, 145,100; number of different teachers employed, males, 6,973; females, 18,974; total, 25,974; average monthly salaries of teachers, males, $60.2; females, $53.27.

Financial statistics—Balance on hand June 30, 1898, district funds, $4,359,083.

Receipts for the year ending June 3, 1898—From income of township fund (rent of school lands and interest on school notes), $827,025.65; from state appropriation $1,000,000; from district taxes, $15,-549,531.63; from sale of bonds, $598,-028.85; from all other sources, $551,-873.03; total receipts of all public money, excluding balance on hand $18,526.16.

Expenditures for the year—For sites, building (including permanent repairs and alteration), furniture, libraries and apparatus, $3,340,883 38; for salaries of superintendents and teacher, $11,290,125.38; for salaries of county superintendents, $145,542.73; bond indebtedness paid, $649,196.18; for fuel and incidental expenses, $1,788,528.58; all other expenses, $1,085,227.15; total expenditures $18,290,-803.37; cash on hand June 30, 1899, $4,-585,803.37; amount of township fund invested yielding revenue, $15,019,844.40; amount not yielding revenue (cash on hand), $456,381.39; total amount of township fund, $15,476,225.79; assessed value of all taxable property in the year 1890 $955,099,408.

SCHOOL TEACHERS GOING

Preparations For Illinois Pedagogues to Visit the Pan Exposition.

Illinois school teachers to the number of at least 4000 will attend the Paris exposition. An excursion is under arrangement. The trip will cost $200 and will consume 40 days. The teachers will go in detachments several hundred strong, the different parties throughout the summer receiving the same rate and enjoying a trip of equal length.

The excursion, while yet only partially planned is said to include a visit of several days in London and short trips to many points of interest near Paris. The $200 includes entrance fees to the fair and all expenses incident to the journey to Paris.

Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews said: "As yet it is impossible to know just how many teachers will take advantage of the excursion rates to be offered. But at a rough guess I should say that as many as 4000 of our teachers will go."

The closing of the schools a week earlier than customary will give the teacher time to pack their trunks and still go to the coast to sail with the first shipload. Rumor to the effect that the $200 and 40 days allow for stop over at Niagara is discredited.

Every teacher who buys one of the excursion tickets to Paris will be obliged to attend the annual session of the National Educational Association in order to receive parting instructions. That organization has decided to hold its next session on the Atlantic coast for the special accommodation of its traveling contingent.

VISIT SCHOOLS

Cerro Gordo School Board Getting Pointers on How to Build a Modern School.

Tuesday V. W. Syndor and Oscar East, two of the members of the board of education of Cerro Gordo, were in the city to look over the school buildings here. A week ago the citizens voted a special tax for the erection of a new school building at Cerro Gordo and the members of the school board were here to get pointers on how a modern school house is built.

Mr. Gastman entertained the visitors during their stay. He showed them the Pugh, Durfee and Warren schools and the visitors expressed themselves as being quite favorably impressed with the manner in which the first and last named schools were built. The new building which they have in mind is to cost $12 000 and will contain six rooms One of these rooms will be used for the high school pupils.

N. M. Michaels, the third member of the Cerro Gordo school board, was in the city yesterday also, but business interfered with his making the visit to the schools with the other members of the board.

It's a Success.

Free rural mail delivery is giving good satisfaction in Eminence township. The Atlanta Argus says: "The rural mail route report from December 31, is as follows: Mail delivered registered letters, 1; letters, 431; postal cards, 78; newspapers and circulars, 1541; packages, 41; total, 2082. Mail collected—Letters, 314; postal cards, 35; newspapers and circulars, 6; packages, 5; total, 360. We are pleased to learn that the business is rapidly increasing and many people off the route one-fourth or one-half mile are putting up boxes at the nearest point.

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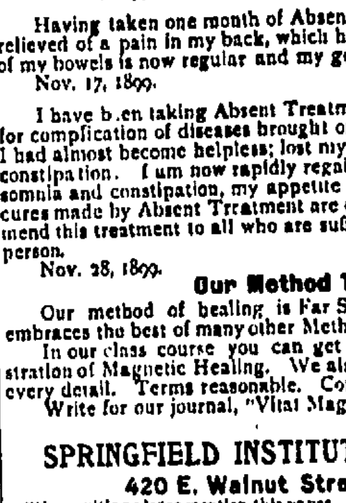

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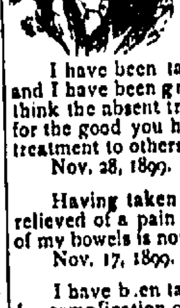

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Nov. 28, 1899.

Having taken one month of Absent Treatment from Dr. Gardner, I have been relieved of a pain in my back, which had troubled me over 30 years. The action of my bowels is now regular and my general health improved.
Wm. W. Long, Buffalo, Mo.
Nov. 17, 1899.

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Among the delegates present w... following:

Roy Klein, Tuscola.
J. R. Olisly, Bradbury Bros., Hickman, Hall Mfg. Co. Arcola.
W. H. Jones, Cisco.
Bruce Snyder, Arthur.
R. Eversole, Hindsboro.
O. P. Kellogg, St. Joe.
B. O. Hennis, W. G. Wack, Me...
J. Anderson and son, Kemp.
Cowton & Coombs, Humboldt.
Wilton and Tilletson, Charleston.
Harris Brothers, Colfax.
William Johnson, Macon.
G. A. VanDuyn, P. Piereboom, ...field.
Palmer & Dorsell, McLean.
George R. Cooper, Macomb.
Garver & Bruse, Windsor.
W. L. Stroh, Hume.
George M. Ashmore, Lovington.
Ballor & Newman, Clinton.
H. F. Day, Moweaqua.
Messer & Flower, Mattoon.
M. J. Naphew, Oakland.
Matt Spraul, Sparta.
H. H. Orendorff, Canton.
A. T. Jenkins, Sullivan.
C. R. Mitchell, Ashmore.
A. M. Stratton, Mt. Vernon.
Griffith Hardward Co., Rushvill...
H. Krommlnger, Hartsburg.
Gooch Brothers, Belleflower.
Henry Parrish, Allerton.
George White, Newman.
V. Hawthorne, La Place.
O. T. Meyers, Illiopolis.
Henry Stahl, Elkhart.
Hughes & Funk, F. B. Tait & Co...er, Sikking & Co., Spencer & Lehr... Decatur.
D. D. Watson, Clinton.
D. L. Lindsay, Bethany.
Rinehart & Son, Lincoln.
W. M. Parrett, Champaign.
John Chambers, Danville.
M. A. Herrold, Ridge Farm.
James Erhart, Chrisman.
C. W. Odell, Moweaqua.
Spannagel Hardware and Furni... Nokomis.
Webber & Son, Arthur.
Geo. A. Firth, Green Valley.
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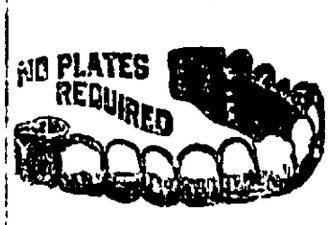

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John Chambers, of Danville, made an interesting talk on the subject of "Catalogue Houses." The speaker's view of the advisability of buying from catalogue lists evoked a general discussion.

One feature of the meeting which provoked animated discussion was the speech of A. W. Stratton, one of the dealers of Mt. Vernon, who took occasion in a very pointed manner to assail the manufacturers, charging that they were charging the dealers more than a legitimate profit demanded. The point seemed to be a sensitive one for the manufacturers present and they took issue with the man from Mt. Vernon with the result that a very spirited discussion ensued.

F. B. Tait made a timely talk on the subject "Is the Present Advance in the Price of Implements Caused by the Manufacturer." The speaker contended that the manufacturers were not responsible for the advance as they were charging no more for their machines than the increase in the cost of material demanded. He went on to show that the cost of iron, wood and nearly all the materials used in the manufacture of farm machinery has increased in price and in self defense the manufacturer had been compelled to raise their prices. The remarks of the speaker met with general approval but this did not prevent a general discussion of the subject at the conclusion of his talk. The session then adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock this morning.

Among the delegates present were the following:

Roy Helm, Tuscola.
J. R. Glisly, Bradbury Bros., O. H. Hickman, Hall Mfg. Co. Arcola.
W. H. Jones, Cisco.
Bruce Snyder, Arthur.
F. Fraysolo, Hindsboro.
O. P. Kellogg, St. Joe.
B. C. Hennis, W. G. Wack, Mansfield.
J. Anderson and son, Kemp.
Cowton & Coombs, Humboldt.
Wilton and Tilliotson, Charleston.
Harris Brothers, Colfax.
William Johnson, Macon.
G. A. VanDuyn, P. Piersboom, Springfield.
Palmer & Dornell, McLean.
George R. Cooper, Macomb.
Garvor & Bruce, Windsor.
W. L. Stroh, Hume.
George M Ashmore, Lexington.
Miller & Newman, Clinton.
H. F. Day, Mowequa.
Messer & Flower, Mattoon.
M. J. Naphew, Oakland.
Matt Sproul, Sparta.
H. H. Orendorff, Canton.
A. T. Jenkins, Sullivan.
C. R. Mitchell, Ashmore.
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Gooch Brothers, Belleflower.
Henry Parrish, Allerton.
George White, Newman.
A. Hawthorne, La Place.
O. T. Meyers, Illiopolis.
Henry Stahl, Elkhart.
Hughes & Funk, F. B. Tait & Co., Whaland, Sicking & Co., Spencer & Lohman Co., Decatur.
D. D. Watson, Clinton.
D. I. Lindsay, Bethany.
Rinehart & Son, Lincoln.
W. M. Parrett, Champaign.
John Chambers, Danville.
M. A. Harrold, Ridge Farm.
James Erhart, Chrisman.
C. W. Odell, Mowequa.
Spannagel Hardware and Furniture Co., Nokomis.
Wester & Son, Arthur.
Geo. A. Firth, Green Valley.
J. W. Boyle, Stonington.
A. J. Park & Co., Hindsboro.
Roy Helm, Tuscola.
W. S. Parish, Cisco.
W. W. Parish, Cisco.
A. H. Morris & Co, LeRoy.
Wilson, McClain & Weyth, Charleston.

Other delegates are expected to arrive this morning for today's session.

THE BANQUET.

The banquet for the members of the association was given at the Brunswick hotel last night and proved a very pleasant affair for 125 dealers who sat down to the tables in the dining room of the hotel at 9 o'clock. Landlord Boone did his best and that is pretty nice. The menu was an excellent one. The toasts and the responses during the evening were as follows:

"The Retail Implement Business, Its Rank in the Commercial World"—O. P. Kellogg.

"How to Entertain the Dealer from the Standpoint of a Traveling Man"—J. L. Ide.

"How to Entertain the Traveling Man from the Standpoint of a Dealer"—Matthew Sproul.

"The Jobber, His Relation to the Dealer"—F. M. Tunney.

"The Implement Business, Its Success and Failure"—W. R. Hall.

W. R. Brinton, the president of the Peru Plow Works, who was in the city, was invited to be present and asked to make a talk explaining the situation of the manufacturer in reference to the increased cost of production.

MENU.

Blue Points on Half Shell,
Eucoquille, Dressed Celery.
Bullion of Little Necked Clams,
Queen Olives. Sweet Pickles.
Claret Wine.
Young Turkey. Cranberry Jell,
Escalloped Oysters.
Snow Flake Potatoes. Candied Jelly Sweets
Sugar Cured Ham.
Spring Lamb Tongue.
Capon Salad. Potato Salad.
Manhattan Cocktail Punch.
Strawberry Jelly, Lemon Jelly,
Vanilla Ice Cream.
Marble Cake, White Mountain Cake,
Chocolate Caramel Cake.
Oranges, Bananas,
Malaga Grapes.
Mixed Nuts. Mocha and Java.
Edam Cheese. Cigars.

FAHAY-SKELLY

Wedding at St. Patrick's Church Yesterday Morning.

The marriage of Miss Mary Skelly to Alderman Michael Fahay occurred at St. Patrick's Catholic church Tuesday morning and was witnessed by a large company of the friends of the couple. Rev. Father Murphy officiated, performing the ceremony in accordance with the rites of the church. Nuptial high mass was celebrated and the service was of a very impressive character. Music was furnished by a quartette composed of Miss Anna Brown, Rev. Father Kelly, Miss Irene Weifel and Will Brown. The choir sang Leonard's mass and during the performance of the ceremony Rev. Kelly sang a solo while Miss Anna Brown presided at the organ.

The wedding service was simple, there being no attendants. The couple were unattended and upon entering the church proceeded down the aisle alone. The bride was gowned in a handsome tailor made dress of grey material and wore hat and gloves to match.

Following the ceremony at the church the bride and groom were driven to the home of the bride's parents, 409 East Main street where they met a number of their more intimate friends and enjoyed a sumptuous wedding breakfast. The company was seated at a table that had been handsomely decorated with flowers.

The friends of the couple remembered them with a handsome array of wedding presents. Mr. and Mrs. Fahay will at once begin housekeeping at 1017 East Eldorado street. The groom is engaged in the hardware business at 1102 East Eldorado street, and is a well known business man. He is a member of the city council from the Fifth ward. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Skelly and is greatly admired in her circle of friends. Among the guests at the wedding from out of the city was Mrs. B. Gilligan of Ivesdale.

CHANCE TO GET DEWEY

The Admiral Will Visit Jacksonville During Grand Army Encampment.

The Associated Press dispatches this morning contain the news that Admiral Dewey has consented to visit the city of Jacksonville during the annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. The date of his visit has not been definitely settled but it will be either on the first or the second of next May. On the first of the month the admiral will be in Chicago. If Decatur had known that Dewey was coming west the town would have had the encampment for itself. As we have not got it the next best thing to do is to induce the admiral to so arrange his trip from Chicago to Jacksonville that he will come through this city. This could probably be accomplished if the movement is started soon enough. He could easily grant this request without any inconvenience to himself. He might be induced to stop off here for a half hour or an hour. If he will do this we can guarantee him a crowd that will break all records and the city has turned out some big ones in honoring public men in the past. A committee ought to be appointed to labor with the great naval hero at once. The admiral is a man of affable disposition and is known to be an accommodating soul, and therefore would in all probability accede to to simple a request.

FEAR THE QUARANTINE

That Question Worries the People of Monticello More Than the Disease.

Frank Caldwell has returned from a visit to Monticello. He says that there is a rush to get vaccinated in that town and that the doctors are kept busy scratching arms. There does not seem to be much excitement over the fact that the president of the board of health has pronounced the disease there as mild smallpox. The excitement of the people is all over the threatened quarantine of the town. That worries them more than any danger that there may be in the disease.

The public schools were ordered closed by the board of health but Mayor Andrew declined to obey the order and they are in session as usual.

OUTLOOK IS GOOD

W. B. Brinton of the Peru Plow Works Talks of Trade.

W. B. Brinton, formerly secretary of the democratic state central committee and also United States marshal for the southern district of Illinois, is in Decatur attending the meeting of the implement men. Mr. Brinton is now president of the Peru Plow company and general manager of that institution. He is not actively in politics these days but devotes his time entirely to the manufacturing business. He is pleased with the business outlook. Speaking of the business he said: "Last year for seven months we had our shops going night and day and had 300 men employed. In addition to making plows we made wheels for other companies that are not equipped to make wheels. I see no reason now to believe that our business this year will not be as good as it was last year. A week ago Monday we again commenced our night work. We are in a position to better judge of the possibilities in a business way than many other manufacturers. They see only the conditions that confront them. We see not only the conditions for our individual trade but for their trade also. That comes from the fact that we make wheels for many plow men and we can tell by the number of wheels they order just what they are expecting. All of our customers are ordering as many wheels as they did last year, and many of them more—none less."

Continuing Mr. Brinton said: "Really, I believe that the present business conditions will continue for several years yet to come. There is really no telling when we may strike another depression. It's something like a panic. Once the conditions get into a rut they drag on and on until there seems no possibility of a change. It was that way when we had the period of hard times. There seemed no way to get out of it. Now that the conditions are changed we will go on indefinitely enjoying a good trade. It is true that the prices of some farm products are not to the point where they should be but we should recollect that there was an enormous surplus that had to be first consumed. I believe that before the next crop is exhausted the prices of farm products will be more than satisfactory to the farmers."

OUR DUMB FRIENDS

C. S. Hubbard, of the Humane Educational Society, in Decatur.

C. S. Hubbard, of Boston, is in the city. He is the representative of the Humane Educational society and his mission is to extend its influence among the school children. He makes addresses to the pupils and interests them in the subject of showing kindness to everything that lives. The work is kept up in many places by the formation of bands of mercy in which the pledge is made that the members will be kind to dumb animals and as far as is in their power protect them from cruelty. Mr. Hubbard has been engaged in this work 14 years, and during that time he has traveled in many different states and has organized over 2,000 bands of mercy. Tuesday morning he made a brief address to the pupils of the High school and visited the ward schools to interest the pupils and teachers in his work. Where they become interested they are supplied with literature and songs relating to the subject.

Rattling Good Snake Story.

Champaign News: The great steam shovel used in excavating at the Big Four yards east of Urbana is cutting wide and deep and frequently strikes a nest of snakes, ranging from the size of a lead pencil to vicious reptiles as large as a man's arm and five or six feet long. Had they been larger it is believed the fact would have been mentioned. When torn from their comfortable nest the snakes are rolled in a mass, thousands being entwined and twisted together and so stupid that they offer no resistance to being handled in the rough manner. The men carry the great bunches of snakes to near a fire and as soon as the frost is thawed from them and the reptiles can be torn apart they are hurled though the furnace door and used to feed the fires, their dried condition making them the very best material for a quick, hot blaze. So far there has been no accident in handling them and they are carried about fearlessly by those who have become accustomed to them.

But two days remain for American exhibitors who wish to enter their goods for competition at the Paris exposition.

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Daisy Neck-Pin.
Genuine Hard-Enamel and Gold.
For 18 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. The illustration is only two-thirds actual size. Color a delicate pink, with jewel setting and gold trimmings. Best enamel finish, stylish and durable.

"The Lion's Bride."

Mailed free for 12 lion heads cut from Lion Coffee wrappers and a 2-cent stamp. An unusually fine picture, from the brush of the noted German artist, Gabriel Max. It is founded on Chamisso's poem, "The Lion's Bride." The story is interesting, and we send with each picture a handsome folder, containing copy of the poem and telling all about it. Size, 15x20 inches.

"Dorothy and Her Friends."

A bright, cheery picture.
For 8 lion heads and a 2c. stamp.
A bright, cheery picture, representing a little girl playing with her chickens and her rabbits. The predominating colors are rich reds and greens. Size, 14x28 inches.
For 10 lion heads and 2-cent stamp we will mail it tinned, ready for hanging.

Stylish Belt-Buckle.

Handsomely gold-plated, with Roman finish, and set with ruby colored jewel in the center. This will be welcomed for "dressed-up" occasions by the ladies who like to wear different colored snakes. The gold-finish goes well with any of them. Given for 20 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Ladies' Apron.

Made of good quality lawn, with alternate revering and tucks; broad hem at bottom, and is neatly gathered at waist; a very superior and stylish article. Size, 36 x 40 inches.
Given for 20 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Fruit Picture.

Size, 18x24 inches. Given for 8 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

50-Foot Clothes Line.

Given for 18 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.
Made of closely braided cotton threads, strong, and will give the best of satisfaction.

Mantel Clock.

By express, prepaid, for 110 lion heads and a 2c. stamp.
Frame beautifully finished with gilt. Stands 8 inches high. A beauty and good time-keeper.

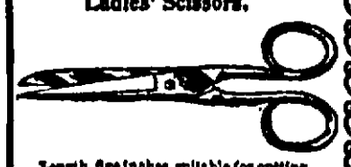
Alarm Clock.

Sent by express, prepaid, for 60 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. When ordering either clock, please name your nearest Express Office, if there is no express office located in your town.

Box of Colored Crayons.

For 10 lion heads and a 2c. stamp.
Fine wax crayons, fifteen different colors, accompanied with outline pictures for coloring. Each crayon is wrapped with strong paper, to prevent breaking.

Ladies' Scissors.



Length, five inches, suitable for cutting, trimming and general household use. Given for 12 lion heads and a 2c. stamp.

Child's Drawing Book.

A collection of nice outline pictures bound into book form with sheets of tissue paper between the leaves. On these tissue pages the children can trace the pictures beneath, thus affording enjoyment, as well as instruction to the hand and eye. These drawing books and the box of crayons go very well together. There are six different kinds, and each drawing book requires 6 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Razor.

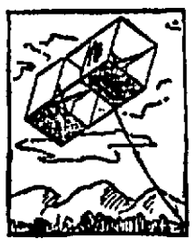
Given for 35 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. A first-class razor, made of best English steel, and extra hollow-ground.

Rubber Dressing Comb.

For 16 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. Length, 7 inches, full size and weight. Made of genuine India rubber, finely finished. Appropriate for a ladies' dressing-case or for use in the household.

Naval Box Kite.

See it Fly!
The celebrated box kite now so popular. Thirty inches long and comes safely folded, but can quickly be spread to fly. Every American boy wants one, and older persons also are interested.



Mailed free for 40 lion heads cut from Lion Coffee wrappers and a 2-cent stamp.

Game "India."

Similar to "Parchesi," which has been played in eastern countries since before the dawn of history. The illustration shows plan of the game, with usual counters, dice and dice-cups accompanying it. A game which people never tire of playing. Given for 20 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

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Aguinaldo may be engaged in building a capital with wings.

The democratic candidates for governor are still very thin in the hill.

Bryan has now for six consecutive days been in favor of extension but opposed to expansion.

The expansion candidate in Mississippi, or United States senator won over Bryan's extension candidate by 55 to 72.

St. Louis now has the satisfaction of knowing that the Chicago river has been started for St. Louis in full volume.

The United States navy will within the next year be twice as large as it was at the beginning of the war with Spain.

The Cubans are now admitting that American rule has made Havana a clean city and is rapidly putting the island in splendid economic condition.

The Bryan wing of the democratic party is rapidly rallying against the "presidents' policy" in the Philippines but they will never say as mean things of McKinley as the same class said of Lincoln.

A report has been circulated to the effect that Oom Paul has sent out an agent to arrange for his flight from South Africa. As long as Oom quotes scripture to his troops he is not looking for an opening in the back fence.

Admiral Dewey seems to have come to the conclusion that the nation with the biggest navy is likely to win the most victories. The admiral should amend by adding: provided the man at the gun understands his business.

The committee investigating the Roberts case has decided that Roberts is a polygamist but in face of all the facts there will be a minority report. There are minorities who always manage to make themselves ridiculous.

The suggestion of social ostracism as a means of destroying trusts is about on a par with the suggestion of social ostracism on the part of the girls of all young men who drink. Either one of the propositions is against human nature and would not succeed except in spots.

The American people appreciate a hero. Ten times the amount of money necessary to lift the mortgage from the home of Gen. Lawton has been subscribed. If Pettigrew were to die the people would not subscribe $500 to erect a tombstone unless they were assured that they had the privilege of selecting the epitaph for it.

Mayor Stadler is in error in assuming that the mayor is not a member of the city council. In any measure before the council, where a majority of all the members elected to the city council is required to carry a measure, if seven aldermen voted in the affirmative and seven in the negative and the mayor voted in the affirmative on the tie the measure would have a majority of all the members elected to the city council.

Senator Pettigrew presented a petition in the senate from the woman suffragists asking that suffrage be extended to the women of Porto Rico and the Philippines. Those who signed such a petition are about as well informed as to the conditions under the civilization of these islands as Pettigrew is and they are also uninformed as to Pettigrew's position or they would have sought some one else to present the petition unless they are banking on his influence among the Tagalos instead of among the senators.

ARE NOT MUZZLED.

Senator Vest does not agree with what he calls the president's Philippine policy and after drawing a horrible picture of the condition the country has been put in by our interference in Spanish-Cuban embroglio, the acquisition of Porto Rico, Hawaii, Guam and the Philippines he wants to know why he or any other senator who disagrees with that policy should be charged with disloyalty and of encouraging Aguinaldo. He then proclaimed he did not propose to be muzzled but on the contrary would treat the subject in his own way.

Of course no one expected a bourbon of the Vest type would be otherwise than against the policy of the president. The reason is apparent. The administration is not of his party and that is sufficient reason for bourbons of the Vest type to be against any public policy the administration is supposed to represent. With such statesmen they plant themselves by instinct against the administration and formulate the reasons afterward. This accounts for the opposition of the democratic party to Lincoln when he was engaged in the important matter of preserving the union. The opposition found it just as easy then to assert that an attack on the administration and its policy was not treasonable and that they were not responsible for their conduct when refusing to be "muzzled" as now. It was just as easy then to charge that Lincoln was violating the provisions of the constitution and was responsible for the bloodshed then going on to preserve the union as it is now to make the same charges as to McKinley.

The democratic party out of power is built on the opposition plan, and so intense is this characteristic developed and ground in the bone that it is a question whether, were the "trumpet of Gabriel" to sound, when a republican administration was in power, men of that party would rise from the dead lest it might be credited to the administration. Mr. Vest is a fit representative of his party. He don't want evidence. He don't want facts to believe in the correctness of democratic obstinacy and opposition to a republican administration. He is so credulous as to all democratic things that only a few years ago he was assuring his party that Grover Cleveland favored the free coinage of silver at 16. to 1. He knew nothing about the facts but ventured the statement merely because Cleveland was a democrat. He was not muzzled then. He is not muzzled now. He would go wrong muzzled or unmuzzled when his party prejudices were involved.

It is fortunate the republican party is not made up of such material. It is for the country whether the president is a republican or a democrat. It supported Cleveland in every policy which involved the honor of the nation. It stood by him and his party in the Debs riots and it stood by him in the Venezuelan contention with Great Britain. The democratic party as now organized, had the conditions been reversed and instead of Cleveland the administration had been republican, the assertion of the power of the government to suppress the Debs riots would have been assailed by Vest and his party and the Venezuelan affair would have been material for burlesque and it would have demanded that the country go to war with Great Britain instead of appealing to diplomacy and in case it had gone to war the method of conducting the war would not have suited them and the president would have been charged by the unmuzzled statesmen with being responsible for the effusion of blood. So it is not at all strange that the democratic followers of Bryan are finding fault with the administration and it is just as meaningless as it is natural. The same opposition would have to be met no matter what the administration might do. Had the president opposed the cession of the Philippines or had refused to defend the nation's sovereignty against the attack of Aguinaldo he would have been arraigned with as much venom as he now is for having done the opposite.

INSPECTS WIRES

City Electrician Gives the Matter Much Attention.

City Electrician Leon Sullivan was putting in a bad day yesterday inspecting the telephones and electric light wires that cross the trolley wires of the street railway company. For the past year the electrician has been making it a practice to inspect the wires strung through the city once every month. He finds many of the wires that are defective and some of them broken down but not nearly so many as in the past. When a wire is found to be defective the inspector calls the attention of the company at fault to the condition of the wire and if the wire is not in too bad condition the company is allowed 30 days to put the wire in repair. It takes over a day to inspect all the wires of the city and the job is one that is not relished by the city electrician but its importance to the public in the safety it insures is such that it cannot be overestimated. It is noticeable that accidents from defective wires are becoming very rare since the rigid inspection has been inaugurated by the electrician.

Deeds Recorded.

John P. Parker to Charles Hantla lots 3 and 4 in block 3 in Long's addition to Mercer; $200.

George W. Culp to Margaret Culp the west half of the northwest quarter of 4, 17, 3 east; $1100.

P. R. Rogers to H. C. Rogers the southeast quarter of 24, 18, 3 east and lot 2 in block 2 in Roger's second addition to Argenta and lot 6 in block in Rogers' addition to Argenta and block 1 and lots 3, 4, 5 and 6 in block 2 in Rogers' fourth addition to Argenta and lots 2 and 3 in block 2 in Rogers' third addition to Argenta and lots 1 and 2 in block 2 in Rogers fifth addition to Argenta; $50.

Gottfroid Miller to Karl Robaszek lot 6 in block 16 in Carver's addition to Decatur; $350.

Blue Mound Savings Loan and Building Association to H. W. Myers lot 2 and 38 feet off of the north side of lot 3 in block 2 in Wise's first addition to Decatur; $900.

Marriage Licenses.

Leo E. Levy, Memphis, Tenn.....29
Lulu Maienthal, Decatur.....23
M. Sylvennus Probst, Sangamon.....34
Bertha Houts, Oakley.....21
Charles J. Bestob, Decatur.....23
Nellie H. Seeforth, Decatur.....26
Eli C. Burd, Decatur.....54
Mrs. Ellen Dickson, Decatur.....44
Samuel P. Sheibley, Decatur.....28
Nomie E. Burgen, Decatur.....23

Cleaning the Street.

Some of the merchants on North Water street in the neighborhood of the Gebhart block are doing a laudable work in the cleaning of the street in that vicinity by private contract not waiting for the street gang to get in its work.

Quarantined.

At Monticello Bob Savage is quarantined because he is a victim of the rash which is prevalent in that city. Savage one time had a genuine case of smallpox and bears distinct marks of that experience. In addition to Savage there are about 20 others quarantined at present.

WEDS A HACKMAN

Pretty Jessie Frobis, of Lincoln, Elopes to Springfield With Thos. E. Wylie.

IS A MINISTER'S DAUGHTER

And Said to Be Quite Wealthy—The Father Twice Before Prevented An Elopement.

NEWS FROM THE NEARBY TOWNS

Springfield, Jan. 17.—Thomas E. Wylie, a Lincoln hack driver, and Miss Jessie M. Forbis, a handsome and accomplished daughter of the Rev. John M. Forbis, formerly pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church of Lincoln, and a society belle, eloped to Springfield yesterday afternoon and were married at 6 o'clock by the Rev. Dr. D. F. Howe, pastor of the First M. E. church.

The announcement of the marriage created a sensation in Lincoln although it has been known that Miss Forbis was desperately in love with the hack driver. Twice before have they attempted to elope and both times the girl's father frustrated their plans. Once she was caught at the depot as she was about to leave for Decatur. Another time her father heard of her plans to elope with Wylie and is said to have locked her up in a room.

Miss Forbis, now Mrs. Wylie, was driven to Broadwell in a carriage yesterday afternoon by one of Wylie's friends. Here she boarded a Chicago and Alton train for Springfield. Wylie got on the same train at the coal shaft south of the city and until the message was received from him last evening neither he nor Miss Forbis were missed. The couple were met here by the groom's father, who is an inmate of the Soldier's home. It was necessary for him to give his consent to the wedding, the groom being only 20 years of age.

Miss Forbis' father was for many years pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Lincoln. He retired from the ministry some time ago and is considered to be very wealthy. Miss Forbis is small, vivacious and handsome. Her husband bears the appearance of one of his chosen occupation.

THREE INSANE SISTERS

They Are On Trial at the Same Time at Kankakee.

Kankakee, Jan. 17.—The spectacle of three sisters being on trial for insanity was witnessed in the county court of Kankakee county today. It is claimed that never before has a similar trial ever occurred in Illinois, or probably any other state. The parties being tried were three French Canadian sisters who have been residents of St. Anne for over 40 years. They have resided together for the past 10 years and until recently have enjoyed the respect of the entire community.

About four years ago there was a marked change in their demeanor. They began to be quarrelsome, purchased revolvers, threatened the lives of their neighbors and indulged in the wildest orgies of profanity. Upon complaint of Julius Dube, a neighbor, they were brought before Judge Gower today and the trial as to their sanity began. The women, whose names are Mrs. Emily Arsenau, aged 60 years, Mrs. Cimiro, aged 67, both widows, and Miss Sara Dumont, aged 55, own their own home in the French village and other valuable property in the vicinity.

SUDDUTH INHERITANCE TAX

Estate Must Pay Over $3000 to Sangamon County.

Springfield, Jan. 17.—Benjamin Knudson, appraiser of the property of the late Titus Sudduth to determine the amount of inheritance tax to be entered against it, made his report to Judge Murray in the county court. The appraiser finds that all the personal estate of the deceased will be required to pay claims against the estate. The value of the real estate owned by Mr. Sudduth is found to be $509,692.50. The value of the dower estate of Sarah A. Sudduth, the widow of the deceased, is appraised at $61,285.10, and that $20,000 of this amount is exempt from tax, leaving the amount subject to the tax $41,385.10, which, at 1 per cent, makes $413.85. The share or interest of the other heirs are subject to the following amounts: Mary S. McCormick $423.07; John W. Sudduth $351.88; Thomas Sudduth $351.88; Laura C. Sudduth $351.88; Lawrence L. Hopper $351.88; Walcotte S. Johnson $351.88, making a total of $3,700.32.

Three Times Wedded.

Tower Hill, Jan. 17.—Forty years ago Miss Lucinda Dangerhoof lived with Mrs. Catherine Sharrock at this place, and was married at the Sharrock home to John Sleeper in 1861. Soon after the marriage her husband went into the civil war and was killed. Mrs. Sharrock lost all track of Mrs. Sleeper for over 35 years. Two weeks ago she came to see Mrs. Sharrock and about a week ago she met for the first time one John Blanchard, a widower and the wealthiest farmer in this community and today they were married at the home of Mrs. Sharrock, where she was married to Sleeper nearly 40 years ago. It is the third husband for the bride and the third wife for the groom.

Northcott At Vandalia.

Vandalia, Jan. 17.—Lieutenant Governor Northcott was here and met delegations of republicans from almost every township in Fayette county in the interest of his candidacy for renomination. An informal meeting was held at the courthouse. Speeches were made by Mr. Northcott and J. J. Brown. Many of the republicans of the county are in favor of instructing the delegates from this county to the state convention or Northcott for lieutenant governor and H. J. Hamlin for attorney general.

High School Pupils Strike.

Springfield, Jan. 17.—The strike precipitated by the members of the Virgil Latin class of the Springfield high school because of the fact that their teacher, Prof. E. A. Minor gave them too many lines to translate, has been amicably settled. No dynamite was used, but the 180 members of the class made a most determined stand, resulting in a reduction of the lessons from 30 to 25 lines for each daily lesson.

Endorse Him Again.

Jacksonville, Jan. 17.—At a meeting of the Morgan county central committee held today the committee passed resolutions heartily indorsing the candidacy of Judge Richard Yates for governor of Illinois and commending him for his course in aligning himself with no factions in Illinois politics.

Harry Magill a Candidate.

Clinton, Jan. 17.—Harry A. Magill of this city has announced himself as a candidate for representative from the thirteenth senatorial district, subject to the action of the republican convention.

Declined An Increase.

Springfield, Jan. 17.—At the request of General Palmer the bill before the senate granting him an increase in pension from $50 to $100 per month has been withdrawn.

Deaths at Bloomington.

Bloomington, Jan. 17.—Miss Blanche Meyers, a talented musician of this city, died on Tuesday evening aged 20 years. Millard O. Boyce died Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Susan Frambers.

Clinton, Jan. 17.—Mrs. Susan Frambers died at her home in this city on Tuesday at the age of 82 years. She had been a resident of Clinton since 1853.

His Wound Fatal.

Belleville, Jan. 17.—Benton Reviello, the prisoner shot by Sheriff Barnickel, while trying to escape from jail, is dead. The coroner's jury exonerated the sheriff.

Teachers' Meeting.

Champaign, Jan. 17.—The next meeting of the Central Illinois Teachers' association will be held in Champaign on March 23 and 24.

Would Be a City.

Crisman, Jan. 17.—A recent of census of this town shows a population of 1056 and steps will be taken to incorporate as a city.

Hospital For Lincoln.

Lincoln, Jan. 17.—A movement is on foot here for the establishment of a hospital and deaconness home.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

To Connect With Central Union Being Put in at Moron.

Moron is to have a local and long distance telephone exchange. The same is being put in by John Crocker. He will lease about 40 instruments from the Central Union company and will use that company's toll lines. The cost of the new plant will be about $2000.

The mechanical work on the exchange is being done by workmen who formerly were in the employ of the Central Union company. They are now putting up the poles and in a few days will put in the switch board. It is thought that the plant can be completed and in working order within four weeks.

Master's Sales.

By virtue of decrees in the circuit court Master-in-Chancery Flon yesterday sold three pieces of property. In the case of the People's Savings and Loan Association 40 feet off of the south side of lot 6 in the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of 23, 16, 2 east was sold to the complainant for $681.

In the case of Ann H. Shelly vs. Robert Hunter et al lot 16 in block 4 in Enterprise addition was sold to the complainant for $180.

In the case of Ann H. Shelly vs. John E. Carlson lots 19 and 20 in block 1 of Enterprise addition was sold to the complainant for $5.

Cleghorn Pleads.

Maynard Cleghorn, who was locked up Tuesday night after a hard fight against the officers, was before Judge Hammer yesterday. Officer Cross filed an information charging Cleghorn with being disorderly, with disturbing the peace and being drunk. To all of these charges the young man entered pleas of guilty and on each plea was fined $5 and costs and ordered committed until the fine and costs were paid.

County Court.

C. A. Thrift, guardian of Charles A. Linden presented his resignation which was accepted by Judge Hammer and John E. Patterson was appointed guardian in his stead.

R. L. Walston presented his final report as executor of the estate of his wife, the late Cynthia M. Walston. The report was approved.

J. B. Williams, the old man residing on East Main street who is familiarly known as the inventor of the overhead trolley switch, is seriously ill and his friends are deeply concerned about his condition.

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Enamel Calf, London toe, $4.00 cut to.....$3.00
Russia Calf, London toe, (Lilly Brackett make,) $3.50 cut to.....$3.00
Kangaroo Kid, London toe, Cordovan lined, $4.00 cut to.....$3.50
Chrome Tan Calf, London toe, double sole clear under instep, $4.00 cut to.....$3.50
Chrome Tan Calf, London toe, calf lined, $4.00 cut to.....$3.50
Dr. Reed's Cushion Sole, Vici kid Cong., French toe, lace, Cornell and French toe, comfort in every line, $4.50 cut to.....$3.50
Hanan's Titan Calf, Cambridge toe, $5.00 cut to.....$4.00
Hanan's Enamel Cork Sole, London toe, $6.00 cut to.....$5.00
Hanan's Enamel and Vici Kid, lace, Royal toe, $5.00 cut to.....$3.50

Women's Shoes.
Heavy Sole, Vici Kid, calf lined, AA to EE, 3 to 8, lace, $3.00 cut to.....$2.00
Heavy Sole, Vici Kid, calf lined, cork sole, lace, $2.50 cut to.....$2.00
Tan, winter weight, lace, few sizes, $2.50 cut to $2.00
Vici Kid, button, patent tip, $3.00 cut to.....$2.00
Vici Kid, button, stock tip, $3.00 cut to.....$2.50
Dr. Reed's Cushion Sole welt, kid tip, Comfort, $3.50 cut to.....$2.50
E. C. Bert, Welt Sole, Kid tip, Chocolate, $4.00 cut to.....$2.50
E. C. Burt Turn Sole, kid tip, good sizes, $4.00 cut to.....$2.75
E. C. Burt Welt Sole, Pat. tip, good sizes, $4.00 cut to.....$3.00
Hanan & Son Welt and Turn, Kid tip, $5.00 cut to.....$3.00
Jenness Miller's Shoes, Lace, Welt and Turn, patent and kid tips, $3.50 cut to.....$3.00
Cushionette Turn, Cork innersoles, Damp Proof, $3.50 cut to.....$3.00

Boys and Youths.
Box Calf, lace, toe trifle narrow, $2.50 grade cut to.....$1.50
Satin Calf, lace, Iron Clad Nailed Bottom, $2.25 grade cut to.....$1.50

Youths.
Box Calf, toe little narrow, $2.25 grade cut to $1.50
Russia Calf, toe little narrow, $1.50, $1.75, $2 and $2.25 grade cut to.....$1.25
Winter Tan, Russia Calf, $2.25 grade cut to.....$1.50

Bargain Department.
9-5—Men's Winter King, sizes 6½ to 8½, $2 grade cut to.....$1.79
L-298—Men's Cong. and Lace, heavy soles, all sizes, $2 grade cut to.....$1.39
Men's Veal lace, square tip Union Stamp, $2 grade cut to.....$1.69

Women's.
3-23—Veno Calf, button, tip, all sizes, $1.50 grade cut to.....$1.24
31-4—Glove Grain, button, tip and lace, heavy, $1.25 grade cut to.....98c

Misses.
3-87—Veno Calf, lace and button, regular $1.25, cut to.....98c
L-58—Dong. Button, Job Lot, sizes 13 to 2, $1.25 and $1.50 cut to.....50c
6-2—Kid Button, Coin toe, patent tip, $1.25 grade cut to.....79c

Childs.
22-17—Kangaroo Calf, button, sizes 8 to 12, regular $1.25 grade cut to.....79c
3-48—Grain, lace, sizes 8 to 12, regular $1.25 grade cut to.....84c

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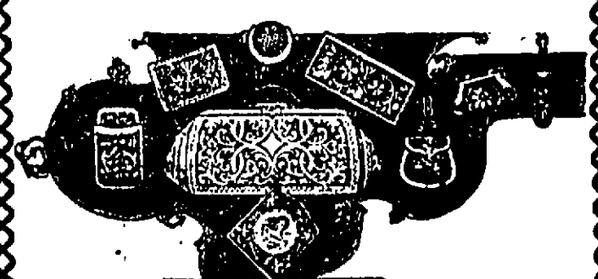

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SOME QUEER ALLIANCES

Formed By Those Who Are Striving For the Ballot.

Chicago, Jan. 17.—The Illinois Association Opposed to the Extension of Suffrage to Women issued today the following address:

"In view of the vigorous campaign inaugurated by the advocates of woman suffrage in the middle and far west, with the intent and purpose of adding other states to the four already allowing full suffrage to women, the Illinois Association Opposed to the Extension of Suffrage to Women begs leave to submit the following statement to the people of the northwest:

"At the foundation of all opposition to women suffrage lies the basic fact that nature has denied to woman the physical strength and endurance necessary to enforce the ballot. It is the concensus of civilization and science that on this account women should be excused from duty which is the administration of the law, military duty which is the enforcement of the law, and consequently from the franchise and legislative duty, the making of law.

CAP STONE AS INDISPUTABLE.

"We believe this judgment to be fully in accord with nature, science, and common sense. This is the foundation of our opposition. Its cap stone is the equally indisputable fact that nature has recompensed women for this lack of physical strength by bestowing upon her a fineness of sensibility, a purity of sentiment, a capability of moral exaltation which fit her for the high and most important duties that devolve upon mankind. Great is the power of law, but finer and higher and farther reaching is the power of love, and it is the exponent of this divine, immortal principle that woman stands before the world. In her capacity as the ministrant of man, holding ever before his eyes the high ideals of devotion, self-sacrifice and undying affection, as the priestess of motherhood and its divine and tender ministries, as the watchful guardian of infancy and the noble inspiration of unfolding youth, we believe her duties rank far above those of the ordinary law-maker, and restore the balance otherwise lost by her physical weakness. And between these two extremes lie numberless considerations of practical expediency, which contribute to form, as we believe, an impregnable position as against woman suffrage.

ONE FATAL DEFECT.

"Furthermore, rights may be equal, though not identical. It is the fundamental and fatal defect of the theory of equal political rights for men and women, that it ignores those difference of functions which the Creator has made inseparable from the specialization of sex. Physically speaking, paternity involves no after nor correlative experiences, while maternity necessarily affects the whole warp and woof of a woman's being, physical, mental and moral, for long periods of time; and since a nation is moribund when its death rate is equal to, or greater than its birth rate, it follows that woman's services to the state are not the same as man's, though of even more vital importance. Monogamic marriages is the effort of society to constrain man to bear his just and proper share in the rearing of citizens, and the attempt to shift any part of the burden allotted to him in this arrangement to the shoulders of the women, is a manifest and flagrant injustice, against which we hereby enter our emphatic protest.

A MOVEMENT BACKWARD.

"In fact, the whole modern movement to place woman on an independent basis, so far as man is concerned, is, we believe in spite of some incidental advantages which have accompanied it, a movement backward toward the original industrial slavery of woman. From this primitive condition, our present institutions have been evolved by the slow processes of human growth. They have not yet reached perfection, but from generation to generation their progress tends toward purity, self sacrifice, and higher spiritual attainments. The attempt to turn the course of progress backward by confusing the rights and duties of the two sexes we believe to be one of the greatest dangers which menace the republic.

"We say this in no disparagement of the many excellent women who have thought they saw in woman suffrage a beneficial enlargement of the sphere and opportunities of women. We recognize the purity of their motives, but we believe they have not thought out to the end the tendencies and conclusions of the movement they have espoused.

STRANGE POLITICAL COMPANIONS.

"A man is known by the company he keeps; so is a movement, and strange indeed have been the political companions of women suffrage. Leaving out of the account as a youthful indiscretion its early entanglement with the cause of free love, it is at present in Utah the tool of Mormonism, which has already elected a polygamist to congress by its aid. In the southwest it has fraternized with populism. It is closely allied with the political fortunes of prohibition, and from first to last has been, and still is, a necessary and structural part of that form of socialism which seeks the destruction of all existing institutions. Not one of these theories has the sanction of the American people; not one of them that is not felt to be antagonistic to the best good of the commonwealth. Why then should woman suffrage be looked upon as a reform, a step in advance in the march of civilization? Why should it not be classed with and treated like its friends and allies?

OPEN POLITICAL JOBBERY.

"The suffragists claim that the admission of women to the polls would purify politics, but there are those among their leaders who openly and boldly announce that the women's vote will be cast for whatever party first admits their claim, without regard to its intrinsic principles. Political trading and jobbery have seldom been more open than this. The corruption of politics is already bad enough in many places, what will it become when women are engulfed in it? There are instances already on record where their influence as legislators has been used arbitrarily, and with no regard whatever for freedom and truthfulness, while there are many signs that the female "boss" is already in process of evolution. It is not thus that the refinement and high moral sentiment of a pure womanhood are brought to bear upon public affairs.

"We cordially accept every development which broadens and harmonizes the life and character of woman, and tends toward the accomplishment of the true end of her being as the divinely commissioned helper and coadjutor of man, and the mother of the race; but we believe it equally necessary to discriminate against and discourage those teachings which tend to degrade her from this her pre-eminent position, by engaging her in a competitive struggle with men for civil and political privileges, thus introducing rivalry where there should be co-operation, antagonism where there should be union, and bringing confusion and discord into the progressive order of civilization.

ASK AN OPEN EXPRESSION.

"In view of these considerations, we ask the women of our country who sympathise with our cause, but dread the publicity of openly advocating it, to lay aside for a time their natural shrinking from debate, and give an open expression to their opinion, at least in their own private circles, or better, through organized effort. We believe that it is necessary that the voice of true womanhood should be heard, and with no uncertain sound, that the men of our beloved country may certainly know which way our wishes and our convictions upon this subject tend.

"And of men, our brothers, we ask that they will stand by their manhood, with its strong prerogatives. We beg them to remember that this is not a mere difference of opinion between opposing factions of women, but an attempt to change utterly the fundamental basis of our government. At present, it rests upon the principle of the family as the unit of the state. Woman suffrage would make the individual the unit, to the disparagement of the family relation, and the advancement of the principle of communion in the family and the state. It is with this end in view that women suffrage is made a constituent part of this revolutionary socialism with which all Christendom is threatened. In view of these facts, we ask the kindly and patriotic co-operation of all good citizens in the work of putting this matter before the American people in its true light.

Mrs. Caroline F. Corbin, president.
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Executive Committee.

NEARBY TOWNS.

ARGENTA.

Nathan Noecker is quite ill at the Parr hotel.

Wm. Zinn bought the Collins property in the west part of Argenta. Mrs. Collins has purchased the O. B. Currier residence.

Wm. Clifton has one child sick with scarlet fever and one with diphtheria.

Miss Mattie, eldest daughter of J. N. Orr, has pneumonia.

Mrs. Mary Reynolds' remains were brought from Decatur and interred in the cemetery here last Tuesday.

W. H. Troxell left for a brief visit at Mt. Vernon and from there he goes to St. Louis, where he has a situation.

John Allen, chairman of the board of supervisors, attended the M. W. A. installation Saturday night.

Glen Rose Camp, M. W. A. and Golden Rod Camp R. N. A. held a public installation at Armstrong hall Saturday evening, followed by an oyster supper. A large crowd witnessed the drills and program and a nice time was had.

George Myers left for Hot Springs Saturday night. S. A. Myers accompanied him as far as Springfield, Mo.

Miss Gussie Querrey is attending school at Normal.

Mrs. Thomas Barker is home from an extended visit in New York.

Russell Helmich returned to his school studies at Normal last Monday.

Mrs. Anna Currier was a delegate to the county Court of Honor in Decatur last week. She was honored with election as vice chancellor for the county. Mrs. M. R. Fesler was elected as one of the county directors.

Mrs. M. S. Miller and son, Clarence, are home from a visit to Tennessee.

W. H. Conover and wife of Hallsville visited with W. A. Loder and family last week.

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OAKLEY.

Mrs. A. Boots and son, Sherman, went to Milmine Friday evening to visit her son, Edgar and family.

The recent mild weather has wrought a change in the health conditions. Many of our people are suffering with severe colds and others with lung trouble.

Dr. Ellis of Decatur made a professional visit in our village last week.

A number of our people attended the Cripe funeral at Cerro Gordo Monday.

Sylvanus Pabst, of Sangamon, played the part of "John Alden" in our village Sunday evening.

Sunday night at the U. B. church in Oakley Rev. M. Predmore discoursed a most excellent and practical sermon to a large audience. He will continue an indefinite series of meetings at this place.

The Oakley M. W. A. will meet on Thursday night of this week. Two new initiations are expected.

Gus Veech shipped a car load of fine cattle to Chicago last week.

During the past two weeks considerable corn has been shipped from this point. Market price at present 27¾c.

B. S. Tyler & Co. have had new elevator attachments run by horsepower, placed on their grain dump in Oakley.

T. J. Manecke and John Harrouff each butchered on Monday.

The political pot in our township is beginning to sizz and to fizz just a little. Present indications are that neither party will have to go a gunning for candidates. A supervisor is to be elected this spring and as the time for holding the primaries approaches the interest will grow keener and keener.

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WARRENSBURG.

Mrs. Jesse Peters, of Decatur, visited her parents here last week.

Elisha Abbott has moved to town from the country.

Mrs. James Clipston is very ill of pneumonia.

A surprise party was given to Miss Grace Albert last Friday evening under the auspices of Misses Bertha Bauman and Vena Tuggle. About 15 were present.

The house occupied by Lewis Smithers was burned Wednesday morning. A defective flue was thought to be the cause. The house belonged to C. J. Off.

Charles Baum, of Randolph, Neb., is visiting O. H. Faith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kuck, of Latham, spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Major.

Joseph Leroy and Miss Minnie Albert were married at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Baumgartner last Thursday by Rev. Hester. They left on the night train for Johnstown, Pa., the home of the groom, who is a clothier of Johnstown.

Presiding Elder Horace Reed will hold services here on Thursday and Friday next.

Protracted meeting is in progress at the M. E. church.

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PIERSON.

Mrs. W. L. Johnson visited her sister, Mrs. Myra Mumpher of Garrett, last week.

Miss Gusta Kastle has returned to her home in Monticello after a short visit with friends in this community.

J. L. Stallworth is reported on the mend.

John Sammons will move into the property vacated by Rev. Moore. E. Mercer into the one vacated by E. L. Johnson.

Mrs. R. L. Johnson, of Atwood visited relatives near town Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Cora Stallworth and daughter, Ruby, visited frends in town over Sunday.

Little Lois Keener is reported ill.

The officers for the coming year of our Sunday schools are as follows:

Baptist Sunday school—Reed Rigney, superintendent; P. J. Fuson, assistant superintendent; Miss Pearl Keener, secretary and treasurer; Frank Fuson, chorister; Mrs. Myrtle Johnson, organist.

Newlight Sunday school—Wm. Mooman, superintendent; Bob Schultz, assistant superintendent; Osie Schultz, secretary; Clara Tilford, organist; Sadie Stallsworth, assistant organist; J. F. Schrol, chorister.

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FORSYTH.

Mrs Allen Bartlet is visiting in Niantic.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gunterman spent Sunday and Monday in Warrensburg.

Mrs. A. G. Benton and Mrs. Nettie Benton went to Emory Monday to see Mrs. Mabel Thrift who is quite sick.

Albert Blazer moved from Tom McIntosh's farm northeast of town to the farm of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Fox, west of town, last week.

Mrs. Braden, of Iowa, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Orr.

Miss Clara Barber did not return to school in Decatur this week.

The Saturday evening teachers' club met with Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Parkhurst.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Good entertained a company of young folks Friday evening in honor of their son Elmer's 19th birthday.

Miss Mary Stewart of Oreana, visited here last week.

John Anderson is treating his house to a new coat of paint.

Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Benton visited in Oreana last week.

Miss Carnie joined the I. O. G. T. lodge Friday night.

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NIANTIC.

Rev. Miles has a crowded house every night. On Sunday night many were turned away.

Wm. Griswold and wife moved to Decatur this week.

G. W. Dingman has purchased Pat Delaney's butcher shop.

Thomas Claypool has bought the store building formerly owned by Mrs. A. Seelig.

Miss Hettie Davis is ill at the home of Charles Taylor.

Miss Mary Davis is visiting at Kankakee.

Mansfield & Delaney's new elevator is now completed and working daily.

John Smithers, Frank Pritchett, Guy Spensler, Henry Jacobson, Roy Beck, Sallie Belle Hall, Clara Eden, Mary Lockhart, Gussie Jacobson, Harve Hall, Walter Lingle, Lizzie Jones.

These pupils were neither tardy nor absent for one month. Intermediate department. Emma Eaton, teacher.

Mrs. Hattie Jacobson assisted by the other ladies of the C. W. B. M. served a missionary tea on Friday, Jan. 12. An interesting program was carried out, after which tea, crackers and cake were served. Each guest placed an offering in the basket. Their meetings will be held monthly.

Jan. 17.

MACON.

O. R. Hopson has returned home after spending several months in the west.

Miss Belle McIlwey, of Moweaqua, was the guest of Miss Mame Chamberlain on Sunday.

Rev. E. J. Durham was a Moweaqua visitor Monday.

Mrs. J. J. Atterbery of Moweaqua, was the guest of Mrs. S. J. Lawley on Friday.

Mrs. O. H. Draper was a Decatur visitor Monday.

Ben Bafford and family have moved into the house recently vacated by C. E. Heckler and family.

Otis Daniels and wife, of Blue Mound, were the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones on Monday.

Mrs. Felix Beechle was a Decatur visitor on Saturday.

Miss Ribiyn Combs returned home Monday from Niantic where she was the guest of friends.

John A. Patterson spent Sunday in Decatur the guest of friends.

John Volner and wife left last week for Louisiana, where they expect to make their future home.

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BLUE MOUND.

James S. House was buried at Waltz cemetery today. His funeral service was conducted at the Methodist church by the Rev. A. P. Edgar, assisted by the Rev. W. L. Bankson, and was attended by nearly all the citizens of Blue Mound and vicinity. The large church was too small to hold all who came.

Ex-Sheriff Jerry Nicholson was here today on business.

W. E. Harvey visited Decatur today on business.

The funeral of Mrs. B. F. Wetzel, wife of 'Squire Wetzel, will be held Thursday. She will be buried at Waltz cemetery.

Cliff Nichols of Decatur, was here today to attend the funeral of his cousin, J. E. House.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Bowers of Cleveland, Ohio, were here to attend the funeral of J. E. House, who is a brother of Mrs. Bowers.

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MAROA.

The third number of the Maroa High school lecture course will be Westhoff's orchestra from Decatur at the opera house Friday evening.

Mrs. Roberta Rainey and children and Miss May Rainey, visited in Decatur Sunday.

Mrs. J. M. Biddle visited over Sunday with her daughter Mrs. Joe Hill, and family in Decatur.

Elder C. C. Redgrave, of Decatur, preached to two large congregations at the Christian church morning and evening.

Corinne Braden went to work in Cooper's bakery Monday to learn the baker's trade.

Charles Hanks has rented the Spooner farm one mile south of town and will move there March 1. He has rented his land four miles southwest of town to Charles G. Persinger.

Articles sold at the Williams sale last Friday brought excellent prices.

The Modern Woodmen will have a blowout on the evening of Jan. 24.

E. R. Stevens, of Decatur, was a Maroa visitor Monday.

Blake & Smith will have a big horse and mule sale at C. W. Martin's barn on Saturday, Jan. 27. There will be 75 head of horses sold and from 15 to 25 mules.

Thos. Cramer, living four miles east of Maroa, will have a public sale Wednesday, Jan. 31.

Mr. Cramer will move to town and occupy the Wall property in the northeast part of town which he recently bought.

Elder J. E. Parker lectured at the Christian church Monday evening on the subject: "Shams, or a Sunday Christian." He used charts illustrating the Sunday Christian. He spoke to a large audience and his lecture is one that has caused a good deal of comment.

ENTERTAINED.

Mr. and Mrs. George Conover entertained 20 young couple at their beautiful home on Cottage avenue Monday evening in honor of ther neice, Miss Nettie Conover, who is spending the winter here from Colorado. Refreshments were served and the company was highly entertained.

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LIVE STOCK MEN

National Convention at Ft. Worth With Big Attendance.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 16—The third annual convention of the national live stock association of the United States began there today with a good attendance of delegates.

The annual address was delivered by President Springer.

President John W. Springer of Denver in his annual address, spoke of the general progress made in industry in the past year. He referred to the higher prices ruling for all classes of live stock and continued:

"Is it numbers or quality that commands the world's gold dollars today? I answer that it is quality. And now permit me to lay down five axioms which I hold are self evident:

"First—That no state can realize a heavy immigration that is not liberal with the live stock interests.

"Second—That no railway management will prosper long, which turns a deaf ear to the complaints of stockmen.

"Third—That no live stock market will continue to grow which imposes a terminal charge on every car of live stock for the privilege of unloading at their yards.

"Fourth—That no stockman will prosper who does not read and liberally advertise in stock journals papers and magazines.

"Fifth—That the stockman who gains the greatest reward will be he who places quality above quantity, in all of his dealings in live stock.

At the conclusion of the president's address, Secretary Martin read the annual report of the executive committee.

This afternoon five minute talks on condition of the live stock industry were delivered by delegates from various states and territories.

The attendance is estimated at nearly 600.

Deeds Recorded.

Martha Naves to Nimrod Neaves the west half of the southeast quarter of section 7, township 14, range 3 east; $400.

Louis A. Mills assignee to James A. Wykoff, lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, in block 1 in Oasner; $1.

Lena J. Arnold to W. A. Shafer lot 14 in block 1 in Cassell's addition to Decatur; $1050.

Wm. W. Day to Thomas Bothrell the east half of the northeast quarter and the north east quarter of the southeast quarter of section 10, and the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 15, all in township 14, range 1 east; $11,412.

James H. Wikoff to P. P. Laughlin lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 in block 1 in town of Oasner; $800.

Kidney Troubles

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Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back. We pay the freight.

RURAL FREE MAIL

Engages a Good Portion of the House's Time.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill was taken up in the house today under an agreement which limited the general debate to one day. The question of expansion which was expected to monopolize attention was barely touched upon, the members becoming engrossed in the discussion of the item of $150,000 for rural free delivery. The last hour of the debate was enlivened with the attack by Representative Richardson, the minority leader, upon the secretary of the treasury for his course in connection with the sale of the New York custom house.

Mr. Hopkins of Illinois, championed the cause of the secretary, declaring his reply to the house resolution answering every charge brought against him and displayed a business ability that must meet the approval of all fair minded people. The urgent deficiency bill will be taken up for consideration under the five minute rule tomorrow.

The house went into committee of the whole on the urgent deficiency bill with the understanding that the general debate should continue today and the bill be read for amendment tomorrow.

Mr. Cannon, chairman of the appropriations committee, opened with a general explanation of the items in the bill.

The item to help out the rural free delivery caused some debate. Mr. McRae, of Ark., opposed it. He said the government's revenue this year would not exceed $600,000,000, while the estimates aggregated $738,000,000.

Mr. Richardson of Tennessee briefly reviewed the appropriations for military establishments showing that in time of peace the appropriations for it with a deficiency provided in this bill reached $121,000,000. He then proceeded to criticise the transactions of Secretary Gage in the matter of the sale of the New York custom house to the National City bank of New York. Richardson said the secretary of the treasury had certainly violated the strict letter of the law.

Mr. Richardson read a list of some of the government deposits in the bank at various times to show that for six months it had the use of average of $10,000,000 of government money. Was that due to the contributions made by the directors to the campaign fund of 1896? he inquired.

Mr. Hopkins, of Illinois, quickly challenged Mr. Richardson's statement that the bank was not liable for taxes, declaring taxes accrued from the time the bank purchased and took possession, a mere paper deed not affecting this but only the evidence of ownership.

Mr. Hopkins said the report of the secretary of the treasury was not only frankly and honestly met every charge, but it showed a business capacity that must receive the intelligent approval of the people of the United States.

He said the national city bank had been the government depository long before Secretary Gage came into office. It had been selected by a democratic secretary of the treasury because of its well known financial ability. But instead of following the course of his democratic predecessor in making a few favorite banks depositories, Secretary Gage had selected depositories all over the United States.

The records show the proceeds of the sale of the custom house were not deposited for the use of the national city bank, but were subject to check day by day so that the bank had to so conduct its affairs that it could be withdrawn without warning any time. The debate on the deficiency bill was still in progress when the committee rose. Mr. Hopkins, of Illinois, from the committee on census, made a favorable report on the senate bill extending the scope of the census, and the house at 5:30 adjourned.

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HORINE'S IN TROUBLE

Got Into a Mix With a Theatrical Company at Mattoon.

Sunday evening, says the Mattoon Journal, was a lively one for the New Brunswick hotel, of which, as a noted gentleman of this city would say, William Horine has the honor to be proprietor.

Riders' show people got off the 3 o'clock train here Sunday afternoon, and four of the women found quarters at the New Brunswick. Several hours later two of the women reported they had been robbed. One, an ordinary sized woman, said she had been "picketed" for $3.75, while the little danseuse declared she had lost sixteen cold silver dollars, money she had saved for a stunning new costume. They made their loss known to the hotel management and Mrs. Horine, wife of the proprietor, went up to see what could be done. Meanwhile the girls had sent for Chief Perkiser, and he arrived in time to see a few spirited times that would make an old Ft. Dodge pioneer get up and hunt for the tallest cottonwood that could be found in the bottoms. The little dancer took off her hat, hung it up, and then proceeded to work. She succeeded in bruising Mrs. Horine's face in a very serious manner, and all this according to Mrs. Horine, was done with two officers standing by both entranced at the scientific manner in which the female handled her fists. The dancer said Mrs. Horine refused to permit her to leave the hotel, and she of course, had been the victim of a robbery and could not pay.

Mrs. Horine raised strenuous objects to the treatment she had received from the guest, and also declared the officers stood by and saw her beaten by the vicious assailant.

Bertie Brown proved to be the name of the woman who did the punching act. She is a small affair and doesn't remind one of being a female pugilist. Bertie appeared in police court this morning and plead guilty to "laying out a plug at the Brunswick," as she stated it. Judge Scott considered Bertie had torn a hole in justice and charged her $3 and costs of necessary articles to make repairs with. She then swore out a warrant for Mrs. Horine charging her with making an assault upon the said Bertie Brown but Mrs. Horine was acquitted.

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ATHYMEN'S ALTAR

Miss Lillie Malenthal Happily Married Wednesday Evening to Leo E. Levy.

RABBI CHAS. LEVI OFFICIATES

Beautiful Floral Decorations Marked the Joyous Occasion—Elegant Presents Bestowed.

THE BASTOB-SEEFORTH NUPTIALS

At the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Barbara Malenthal of 255 West North street last evening were solemnized the nuptial rites for Miss Lillie Malenthal and Leo E. Levy. The service was said at 8 o'clock by Rabbi Charles Levi, of Peoria, in the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives.

The couple were attended by Miss Bertha Malenthal of Decatur, sister of the bride, and Miss Helen Levy, of Memphis, sister of the groom. The bridal party stood during the ceremony before an alcove at the west side of the front parlor, filled with palms and draped with a portiere of smilax.

Preceding the ceremony as the couple came down the stairs the bridal march from Lohengrin was played by Miss Bertha Malenthal. As the couple entered the parlor the attendants took their places and at the close of the ceremony Miss Malenthal played Mendelssohn's wedding march.

The bride wore a handsome gown of ivory white satin, cut with high neck, long sleeves and with a train. The bodice was draped with Duchesse lace. She wore a tulle veil caught in the hair with a diamond brooch, a wedding gift from the groom, and carried a bouquet of long stemmed white carnations. The attendants were gowned alike in black jetted net over pink silk. They carried bouquets of bridesmaid's roses. Their hair was dressed in full pompadour arranged with a butterfly bow of pink satin ribbon.

The wedding supper which was served by Mrs. F. J. Sedgwick, followed the ceremony. The bridal party was seated at a round table and the guests at smaller tables placed in the dining room and reception hall. The decoration in the dining room were entirely in green and white, carnations and smilax being used. The chandeliers were trimmed with the smilax and the tables were artistically arranged with the feathery vine and long stemmed blossoms. The ices were in green and white. The parlors were decorated in American Beauties and smilax.

Mr. and Mrs. Levy left last night for a visit in Chicago and other points north. They will be at home after Feb. 5, at 125 Linden avenue, Memphis, Tenn.

The guests were received by Mrs. J. R. Malenthal and Mrs. Barbara Malenthal. Those present from out of the city were Miss Helen Levy and Ben Jacobs, of Memphis, Henry Mendel, Cincinnati, and J. J. Jacobs of St. Louis.

The couple were exceedingly fortunate in remembrances from their many friends. The gifts completely filled one room, the cut glass alone covering a medium sized table. The gifts were unusually lavish. China, silver, pictures, vases and many very beautiful and valuable articles were received. The groom's family furnished the home in Memphis complete and the bride's family presented them with a chest of silver.

The groom is engaged in the wholesale manufacture of skirts at Memphis, Tenn.

BASTOB-SEEFORTH.

Miss Nellie Harper Seeforth and Charles Bastob were last evening at 8 o'clock united in marriage at the home of the bride's mother at 139 West Jefferson street Rev. Marcus Wagner, pastor of the St. Paul's German Lutheran church, performed the ceremony in the presence of about 50 guests

The couple were attended by Miss Lydia Doschicla and Louis Bastob. The bride wore a gown of tan cloth and carried white carnations. The bridesmaid wore light blue cloth.

A wedding supper was served following the ceremony. During the evening there was a program of music rendered by Messrs. Charles Ott and Willie Rothfuss, mandolin and guitar players.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Barbara Seeforth and the groom is employed a salesman at the Keyl grocery on North Main street. They will reside with the bride's mother.

BLACKFOOTS' BIG CLAIM

Trying to Recover About One-Third of State of Montana.

Butte' Mont., Jan. 17.—The chief and head men of the Blackfoot Indian nation held a council on the reservation a few days ago, a report of which has just been brought in, to consider a series of old grievances against the government growing out of the alleged frauds, and misrepresentations in various treaties, a violation on the part of the government of the big treaty of 1855 by which over 26,000,000 acres were taken from the Indians in 1874 with one compensation. Indians retained Chancellor Charles O'Donnell of Butte to prosecute their claim. The land out of which they claim they were defrauded, for which they now want compensation, comprises nearly one-third of the entire area of the state of Montana.

Gear Re-Elected.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 17—At noon the legislature met in joint session and reelected James H. Gear to the United States senate. The vote stood: Gear, republican 111; White, democrat 32. Gov. Shaw, immediately after ballot was taken, signed Gear's certificate and forwarded it to Washington.

Nichola Tesla, says he has completed a machine that will send a wireless message from New York to Paris.

CATTLE FEEDING

The Subject Discussed By John G. Imboden at the McLean County Institute.

SPEAKS FROM EXPERIENCE

Gives the Results of Years of Observation And Success in Stock Raising Business.

EFFECTS OF DEHORNING CATTLE

At the meeting of the McLean County Farmers' Institute, Wednesday, John G. Imboden of this city made an address on the subject of "Cattle Feeding for Profit." An abstract of his paper follows:

"The older feeders, the men who have made money, raising, grazing and feeding cattle in Central Illinois, are now practically out of the business and the feeding operations on the farms are now conducted by their sons or tenants. The landlord is anxious that the products of the farm be fed on the same, but, when he advises his tenants to feed cattle he must remember that conditions have changed greatly since he made money at the business and a system that was practical and profitable years ago will not do today.

THE DIFFERENCE

"The question of profit in dollars and cents need not much concern the man who owns his farm, is out of debt and has money to buy cattle. He will get hay for feed and his farm will be getting better. But with the renter, the man who is struggling to get out of debt and pay for a farm, and who, as most of us, must borrow money to buy cattle, the question of profit is one that should be carefully considered and studied. The profits made in feeding cattle in the last ten years have been small, and even with the satisfactory prices that now prevail for good fat cattle the high priced feeders that are now in the lot eating 25 to 30 cent of corn will not make more than a satisfactory profit, and many of them will actually lose money. When we consider that it is the exception that the gain on a bunch of cattle in the feed lot will pay for the cost of making that gain we then realize that the profit, if any, in feeding cattle, consists in making the fat or finished steer worth more per hundred pounds than the cost as a feeder; and just as long as we must pay high prices for feeding cattle we cannot expect to get more than a reasonable profit by feeding those steers when fat cattle are selling on the market at 50c to $1 more per hundred than feeding steers of the same quality are worth on the same market.

HOW TO FINISH THEM.

"After feeding steers are acquired either by purchase or otherwise, the question as to the most profitable manner of handling and finishing them is an important one. A system that is practical and profitable for one feeder may not be for another. Some feeders prefer finishing their cattle on the grass in the early summer, some prefer the fall and early winter and others full feed in open lots, sheds and barns all winter and then sell in the spring. What I may say in regard to feeding will be based upon my own experience and knowledge gained from the experience of others, particularly of the feeders who feed all winter as I do.

THE BEST SINGLE FEED.

"One feeder advocates shock corn as the principal feed, another ear corn, another corn and cob meal, another shelled corn, another soaked corn, and so on. The question is asked, does the result obtained from corn fed in the several forms named justify the labor and expense involved in preparing the corn? I have fed corn in the several forms named and have this to say: I believe that shock corn is the best single feed on which to fatten a bunch of cattle, and when fed under cover with plenty of hogs in the lot is a profitable and economical way of feeding and your cattle have always a good dry bed. However, rather than feed all shock corn I prefer giving one feed per day of ear or shelled corn. Ear corn is fed in greater quantities for fattening cattle than corn in any other form, and cattle will get very fat on ear corn alone, with very little or no other roughness. I like corn and cob meal for about 60 to 90 days' feeding or for young cattle that are to be carried out or over on the grass but for cattle that are to be finished in the feed lot I prefer feeding shelled corn. After cattle are well started on corn and cob meal I will say that I do not believe it to be profitable to grind corn if you have hogs in your lot.

SHELLED CORN IS GOOD.

"Shelled corn is a good feed in connection with hay or other fodder, and when run through a self feeder is a very economical way of feeding. My experience in feeding shelled corn has also been very satisfactory. What experience I have had with soaked corn, both shelled and in the ear, has been satisfactory and I think the results obtained from feeding soaked corn, especially in the spring and summer, will more than justify the expense and labor involved in soaking. I raise each year a few acres of sugar cane. I cut and shock it and feed it with shock corn with very satisfactory results. When fed in connection with corn I think it is much more valuable than the same acreage of corn. Cattle will eat the stalk entire.

"To the man who is raising cattle for profit I would say, feed a variety of feed in a practical and economical manner. Make the most possible out of the feed the farm will produce, and, if cattle are making satisfactory returns for feed and labor, I would buy no other feed while corn prices are as low as they have been in the past five years. There are times when it will be profitable to feed some oil cake, cotton seed meal or bran.

ABOUT DEHORNING.

"In regard to dehorning cattle I have this to say: The results obtained will well repay for dehorning. However, I think it costs about two weeks' feed to take the horns off of two year old steers and some feeders do not like to loose that much.

"Buy and sell the best cattle you can find. If you must feed common or mean steers be sure you buy them at common and mean prices. Remember that after you feed your corn into them you sell them on the markets on their merit to the shrewdest buyers in this country—men who know their business."

FOLRATH'S

Room-Making Sale!

We need room for Spring Goods, hence these prices on Fine Foot-wear.

Ladies' $3.50 and $4.00 Man-shaped Box calf, Cork Sole, Lace Boots, regular or extra high top, today..... **$3.00**

Ladies' Patent leather, hand sewed, Louis XV heels lace, all sizes, widths A to C, $5.00. Now..... **$4.00**

Ladies' Kid lace Shoes, with flexible or extension soles, all sizes and widths, $2.50 values, at..... **$1.98**

Ladies' warm lined Shoes in Lace or Button with felt tops and Patent tips, sizes 4 to 8, $1.50 values. special price..... **$1.24**

About 70 pair Ladies' Ideal Kid, lace, welt sole Boots, with Kid linings, our $3.50 values, now..... **$3.00**

50c. a pair

Just the biggest fifty cents' worth of warm, soft house slipper, you ever saw in all your born days.

Women's Sizes.

better come To-day.

Dalget Ladies' famous fur trimmed Romeos in colors, Black, Brown and Red, advertised in the magazines at $2.00, special price..... **$1.25**

About 50 pair of Ladies' Shoes in broken sizes, $3.00 and $4.00, widths A and B, at..... **99c**

Ladies' Kangaroo, calf lace or Button, sizes 3 to 8, $2.00 values, now..... **$1.60**

Ladies' Kangaroo Grain, Lace or Button, $1.50 grade, at..... **$1.35**

Edwin Clapp's Men's Tan Calf lace, choice of two styles—latest styles, with heavy soles, all sizes, widths, A, B, C and D; $5.00 values, now..... **$4.00**

Mechanic's Shoes in Lace or Congress, medium or wide toes, $1.75 value. Sizes 6 to 12..... **$1.35**

Men's warm Shoes, with heavy soles, made expressly for teamsters and farmers. $3.00 value, at..... **$2.50**

Boys' Felt Boots. Value $2.00..... **$1.65**

Men's Felt Boots. Value $2.00..... **$1.75**

100 pair Boys' Shoes in broken sizes, sold at $1.25 to $2.00. Special price..... **$1.00**

Children's Shoes in Kid, Kangaroo, calf, lace or Button, sizes 5 to 8, 8½ to 11, 11½ to 2. 50c, 75c..... **$1.00**

Misses' Button Shoes in broken sizes and kinds, $1.25 to $2.00 values, at..... **89c**

Pretty little Infants' Soft Soles, in white, Pink, Blue, Black, Brown, Red, tan; Lace or Button.. **50c**

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WHAT THEY WANT

County Treasurers Will Ask For Legislation in Relation to Assessments.

The county treasurer's meeting at Springfield this week was attended by about 50 of those officers. They appointed committees to look after things that they want done and agreed that they would next year meet in Peoria on the third Tuesday in January.

The county treasurers are now the supervisors of the assessment and they want the assessors in all of the counties to work on the same plan in order that the people in all parts of the state may bear the same proportion of the expenses. In some counties last year parsonages were assessed and in others the assessors did not know they were on earth. In some counties tax certificates of purchase and other evidences of wealth were overlooked. A committee was named to prepare a set of rules telling what should be assessed and copies of those will be printed and sent to every assessor in the state.

A committee was also appointed to draft amendments to the revenue law in case there is a special session of the legislature. The law says that the board of supervisors "may" pay the supervisors of the assessments and those officers want the law so amended as to say that the supervisors "must" pay for the work. In about 40 counties the supervisors of assessments received pay ranging all the way from $300 to $900.

Another and what they consider the most important amendment suggested is that the county treasurer shall be an ex-officio member of the board of review. There was nothing radical in Macon county in the changes made by the board of review but from some counties there come complaints that the board of review was radical in making changes. The treasurers believe that by reason of the work they do in going over the assessment and by reason of their association with the township assessors they are eminently qualified to serve on the board of review.

Beware of Ointments For Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co. Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Mrs. R. Churchill, Berlin, Vt., says, "Our baby was covered with running sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her." A specific for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

Bids for 12,000 tons of coal for Chicago are 50 per cent higher than last year's prices.

It takes but a minute to overcome tickling in the throat and to stop a cough by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. This remedy quickly cures all forms of throat and lung troubles. Harmless and pleasant to take. It prevents consumption. A famous specific for grippe and its after effects. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

It takes 1000 pounds of chocolate to fill the chocolate slot machines in Chicago, and they are filled daily.

"One Minute Cough Cure is the best remedy I ever used for coughs and colds. It is unequalled for whooping cough. Children all like it," writes B. N. Williams, Gentryville, Ind. Never fails. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, hoarseness, croup, pneumonia bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles. Its early use prevents consumption. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

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Many of the blotches, pimples and other affections of the skin are caused by the failure of the liver and kidneys to cast off impurities, which remain in the system. Herbine will stimulate the liver and kidneys and cleanse the system of all impurities. Price, 50 cents. King's Drug store, Swearingen, Gebhart block.

Charity should begin at home—but if it ends there it isn't charity.

Miss Annie E. Gunning Tyre Mich., says "I suffered a long time from dyspepsia; lost flesh and became very weak. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure completely cured me." It digests what you eat and cures all forms of stomach troubles. It never fails to give immediate relief in the worst cases. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

Richard Mansfield sent his check for $100 for the benefit of Hepburn Johns' widow, to be held at Powers' theatre Thursday afternoon. Charles Frohman also sent $100.

The fragile babe and the growing child are strengthened by White's Cream Vermifuge. It destroys worms, gets digestion at work and so rebuilds the body. Price 25 cents. King's drug store. Swearingen, Gebhart block.

When a man sings his own praise he usually pitches the key too high.

Many a bright and happy household has been thrown into sadness and sorrow because of the death of a loved one from a neglected cold. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is the great cure for coughs, colds and all pulmonary ailments. Price, 25 and 50 cents. King's drug store, Swearingen, Gebhart block.

There is no place like home when it comes to drawing a small salary.

Whosoever has suffered from piles knows how painful and troublesome they are. Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment is guaranteed to cure piles. Price 50 cents in bottles. Tubes, 75 cents. King's drug store, Swearingen, Gebhart block.

The state board of health recommends that a sanitarium for consumptives be erected.

"I was nearly dead with dyspepsia, tried doctors, visited mineral springs and grew worse. I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. That cured me." It digests what you eat. Cures indigestion, sour stomach, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia. J. E. King, F. W. Swearingen, H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Sometimes a man has his own way according to a diagram furnished by his wife.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers purify the blood, cleanse the liver, invigorates the system. Famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

Yes, Percy, trouble is brewing in the Boer lager.

The properties of Ballard's Snow Liniment possess a range of usefulness greater than any other remedy. A day seldom passes in every household, especially where there are children that it is not needed. Price 25 and 50 cents. King's drug store. Swearingen, Gebhart block.

You can't tell by the blossoms which of the apples will be wormy.

LIVERITA, the up-to-date Little Liver Pill; 50 boxes contain 15 pills, 10c boxes contain 40 pills, 25c boxes contain 100 pills. Sold by John E. King and A. J. Blaine, Decatur, Ill.

Railway tracks are often horrible examples of the deadly parallel.

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Herbine should be used to enrich and purify the blood; it cures all forms of blood disorders, is especially useful in fevers, skin eruptions, boils pimples, blackheads, scrofula, salt rheum, and every form of blood impurity; it is a safe and effectual cure. Price 50 cents. King's drug store, Swearingen, Gebhart block.

Sometimes a man never makes a mistake until he begins to boast of it.

J. B. Clark, Peoria says, "Surgeons wanted to operate on me for piles, but I cured them with DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve." It is infallible for piles and skin diseases. Beware of counterfeits. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

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PUSH IT ALONG

Decatur Took Up the Good Work And Her Citizens Did Their Share.

Push a good thing along.
Let others know its goodness.
The "Little Conqueror" is a good thing.
Decatur people are finding it out.
Many a thankful man,
Many a happy woman,
Can testify to this
Experience is the teacher.
Our citizens are telling their experience.
Here is a case of it—read.

Be introduced to the "Little Conqueror."

O. W. Carter of 1440 East Condit street, says: "A paralytic stroke affected my limbs so that I could not walk and it also left my kidneys in a weak condition. I had a second shock which still further weakened my kidneys and after that I had no control whatever over them as the secretions were much too frequent in action and contained a brick dust sediment. Now I don't mean to convey the impression that Doan's Kidney Pills restored the use of my limbs and cured my paralysis, but I must say this in favor of them, they strengthened my back and kidneys in every way and the secretions are normal in every way and regular in action. I used two boxes of them and they gave me a great deal of benefit."

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AS GOOD AS A FAIR

Coming Institute of the Macon County Farmers Promises to Be Best Yet.

THE PRIZES AND PROGRAM

Merchants And Manufacturers Make Liberal Donations For Farm Products.

SOME GOOD SPEAKERS SECURED

During the past four days the executive committee of the farmers' institute has been busy arranging the prize list and the program for the meeting which will be held at the courthouse February 6, 7 and 8 inclusive. The program and prize list are given in full below. The essay contest will be limited to farmers' sons and daughters under 16 years of age. The essays must be written and mailed to the secretary C. A. Thrift at Forsyth so that they will reach him not later than the first day of February. The authors of the prize essays will be privileged to read them during the evening sessions of the institute if they so desire.

THE PROGRAM.

FIRST DAY AFTERNOON SESSION 1:30 O'CLOCK.

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 1900.
Prayer, Rev. S. H. Bowyer.
Music.
Reading minutes of previous meeting by Secretary C. A. Thrift.
President's address, W. H. Bean.
Equitable Taxation, T. C. Grady.
Pruning and Grafting Fruit, E. R. Hurlbutt.
Music.
Rearing and Feeding Beef Cattle for Profit, John O. Hernnold.

EVENING SESSION.

(See program in daily papers.)

SECOND DAY, MORNING SESSION, 10 O'CLOCK.

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1900.
Prayer, Rev. Wehlfarth.
Music.
Poultry Raising on the Farm for Profit, Mrs. T. T. Van Allen.
Development and Hybridizing Corn, W. H. Stoddard.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1:30 O'CLOCK.

Music.
Education, Miss Lulu Wheeler.
Cultivation of Corn, and Smut Treatment for Oats, A. D. Shamel.
Music.
Reading of prize essays.

EVENING SESISON.

(Program in daily papers.)

THIRD DAY, MORNING SESSION, 10 O'CLOCK.

Thursday, Feb. 8, 1900.
Prayer, Rev. W. C. Miller.
Music.
Save the Places, Laura Patterson.
How and When to spray for fruit, Henry M. Dunlap.
Type and Quality of Farm Stock, A. P. Grant.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1:30 O'clock.

Election of officers and general business.
Sale of products.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Leon & Morris—For best bushel corn, any variety, one Janesville disc cultivator.
Spencer & Lehman—For best bushel white corn, one Black Hawk corn planter.
Hughes & Funk—For best bushel yellow corn, one Blue Jeans riding cultivator.
Parlin & Orendorf—By Wheeler, Sikking & Co, for best bushel yellow corn, one Parlin Jr. corn planter.
McCormick Harvester Co.—For best ½ bushel clover seed, one 5 foot McCormick mower. The clover seed is to be cleaned in Macon county.
F. P. Tait Mfg. Co.—For best bushel oats, any color, one Decatur force feed end gate seeder, with clover seed attachment.
Race Clothing Co.—For best 20 ears corn, any variety, $5 Stetson hat.
H. G. Boyer,—For best dozen ears of rice popcorn, first prize, one jar strawberry preserves.
Nabgang Harness Co.—For best dozen ears rice popcorn, second prize, one halter.
Ottenheimer & Co.—For best ½ bushel popcorn, any variety, one boy's suit with knee pants.

CAKES.

Sponge—National bank, first prize, $5.
Nut Cake by girl under 18—Bachman Bros. & Martin Co., offer a prize of $5 rocker, for best baked on a Superior steel range. Second prize $2.50 rocker, same firm.
Chocolate—Prescott Music Co., first prize, mandolin or guitar.
Jelly Cake—First prize Rogers & Clark, first prize, one pair of $2.50 lady's slippers.
Loaf Cake—R. C. Augustine, optician, first prize, one pair solid gold glasses $8.
Fruit Cake—C. M. Barnett Hardware Co., first prize Boss washer, $7; second prize, silver cake stand, J. L. Fonke & Son, jewelers.
Cocoanut, by girl under 16—First prize, D. B. Fairatis pair patent leather shoes, $4; second prize, F. T. Phillips Music Co., one vocal or instrumental folio, $2.
Pineapple Cake—First prize, C. L. Loforgue, one dozen photographs, $2.
Marble Cake—First prize C. L. Gill, one pair $3 lady's shoes.
Four Layer Cake—First prize, Goshen carpet sweeper, Bradley Bros.
Spice Cake—E. A. West, first prize, ½ pound of violet perfume in cut glass bottle.
Angels' Food—First prize, W. S. Brown one side saddle, $15; second prize, bottle perfume, J. E. King $1.
Plum Pudding—First prize, one year's subscription to Decatur Daily Herald; second prize, one year's subscription to Semi-Weekly Decatur Herald.

APPLES, VEGETABLES, ETC.

Irish Potatoes—First prize, best ½ bushel, Summerfield & Co., one sweater, $2.
Three varieties of Apples—Daily Review one year for best display; second prize, Semi-Weekly Review one year.
Sweet Potatoes—Warrensburg Times' premium map and Hicks' almanac one year, for best ½ bushel.

SPECIAL BREAD PRIZES.

Corn Bread—First prize, Millikin National bank, $3; second prize, $2.
Corn Pone—First Prize, half dozen fine brooms, $2.25, O. Cloyd.
Light Bread—First prize, Bachman Bros. & Martin. For best three loaves of bread baked on Superior steel range, one $5 rocker; second prize, $2.50 rocker.
Atends For best 3 loaves of bread baked from Fairlawn flour, first prize, 100 pounds Fairlawn flour; second, 50 pounds same flour.
Shellabarger & Co.—For best 3 loaves baked from White Loaf flour, one barrel White Loaf; second prize, 100 pounds same flour. For best 3 loaves baked by girl under 17 years of age, $5 in gold; second prize, $2. The points to be considered in judging bread are, general appearance of the three loaves as a whole, texture of bread when cut, whiteness.

BUTTER.

Best 2 Pounds Uncolored—First prize, one Standard churn, Morehouse & Wells Co.
Best 2 pounds—Gold tooth crown, $2, Dr. J. D. Moore, dentist; second prize, $3 dental work.
Best Display Fancy Butter—First prize, silver butter dish, $6, H. Post & Son.

ESSAYS.

By Boy under 16—First prize, suit clothes, Cheap Charley; second prize $3.50 pair shoes, F. R. Cole Shoe Company.
By Girl Under 16—First prize, solid gold bracelet, Frank Curtis jeweler; second prize, Easter hat, $10, Linn & Scruggs.
Declamation by boy under 16—First prize, overcoat, Ottenheimer & Co.

NOT LIKE SMALLPOX

One of the Cases In Decatur Occurred Five Months Ago.

"It has got up quite a scare in the neighborhood and people are going every day to get their children vaccinated and it has hurt my business some too, as I go out to nurse occasionally," said Mrs. Leopold Schulke of 1130 East Condit street yesterday afternoon, "and the funny part of the whole business," continued Mrs. Schulke "is that my children had that breaking out disease five months ago and I have been well and over it months and months. And they never were sick. Never had a bit of fever, never stopped playing and were not in bed one single moment of the time. My son who works in the brass polishing department at the Faries manufacturing company poisoned his face with the brass and was out of the factory one day, but the breaking out itself was nothing. They have had it all over the neighborhood and nearly every child on this street has had the same thing and not one of them have been sick at all."

This was told to a Herald reporter who yesterday visited the families said to have a disease similar to the epidemic in Monticello. In calling on the family of Mr and Mrs. Wm. Augustine of 1127 East Herkimer street it was found that the disease here had been more recent. The children were not fully recovered from the tiny eruption on the chin and about the mouth, but they were well and playing about the house and yard. Their mother said that they had not been sick and not one of them had had the slightest bit of fever or the eruption on any part of the body excepting the lower part of the face. The cases in Monticello which are said to be a mitigated form of the small pox come with the small pox symptoms—backache, fever, swollen and sore throat, eruptions all over the body—while the cases in the families visited yesterday had none of those symptoms and there was absolutely no eruption excepting as had been stated, on the lower part of the face. The "breaking out" as the mothers term it is undoubtedly the contagious impetigo, the disease that has been prevalent in Decatur for months. Every doctor in the city has treated from 25 to 50 cases and some of them more, and hundreds of children in the city have had it.

SERGEANT SAULE NOW

Macon County Boy Now a Soldier at Fort Riley.

W. W. Saule, sergeant of Battery B, 4th U. S. artillery, is in the city the guest of Mrs. A. Hill and family on West Decatur street. Sergeant Saule is one of the Macon county boys whose aptitude for the military service was brought out by the Spanish war. At the time the president issued the call for volunteers Saule was living near Harristown but enlisted in the 5th regiment of Illinois volunteers. He went south with the regiment and in a short time was sent to Porto Rico on detached duty and later was transferred to the 4th artillery, and is now stationed at Fort Riley, Kan. Since entering the service Saule has been promoted to the rank of a sergeant and gives promise of reaching a higher rank.

Jack Has Retired.

Jack Owens, the brisk little fellow who officiated as the porter at the Potts barber shop, on North Water street, did not always occupy that station in life. Only a few year ago he was one of the crack jockies of the southwest Missouri circuit and was making big money riding the speediest racers of that part of the country in fast finishes. Several narrow escapes with his life and the constant danger led Jack to give up the exciting profession for the more tame but safe pursuit of wielding the whisk broom in a barber shop.

A Good Samaritan.

Little Lucy Paine, daughter of Frank Paine, master mechanic at the Wabash shops, conceived and executed a plan for providing the children of the Anna B. Millikin home with clothes, to take the place of those that were burned at the recent fire. She asked the permission of her teacher at the Jasper street school to speak to all the pupils in the school and ask them to bring clothing, saying that she would see that it was taken to the home. The response was so liberal that the little ones at the home will have a substantial foundation for new wardrobes.

How a Farmer's Wife Works.

A reporter who was standing near a counter in one of the dry goods stores of the city yesterday overheard a farmer's wife tell of her last summer's work and this is what she did. Gathered and marketed 83 dozen of eggs took off the nest and raised 700 chickens, made 12 pounds of butter per week, did all her housework, entertained her friends, went out a great deal and enjoyed herself. She was rosy, plump and had a happy face that did not show a line of care or hard work.

Revival at Zion.

At the Cumberland Presbyterian church in Mt. Zion Rev. Cockrum is conducting a protracted meeting and is said to be meeting with good success.

AN INCREASE.

S. S. Rogers, of the Soldiers' Home at Quincy, was granted an increase of pension. He served in Co. E, 111th Infantry.

CUPID AT BEMENT

Marriage of Miss Nellie Martin to Ralph Pettit of Chicago.

MINERS' STATE CONVENTION

Will Be Held In Springfield on Feb. 13th—Meet After Ten Years Only to Part.

SIBLEY'S THREAT TO KILL HIMSELF

Bement, Jan. 18—Special.—The marriage of Miss Nellie Martin of this city to Ralph Pettit of Chicago occurred at the home of the bride's father Thursday evening Jan. 18, and was witnessed by a large number of friends and relatives of the couple. Rev. Mr. Mavity officiating.

Promptly at 8:30 p. m. the happy couple took their places attended by Miss Jessie Pettit sister of the groom and Ralph Martin, brother of the bride and Miss Stella Martin, niece of the bride acting as flower girl. The bride was gowned in a handsome dress of white silk mull and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. Following the ceremony and congratulations a sumptuous wedding supper was served to 175 invited guests.

The friends of the couple remembered them with a handsome array of both useful and elegant gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Pettit will leave immediately after the wedding of the brides' father on Friday, for their home in Chicago.

The groom is employed in the wholesale grocery department of John Farwell & Co., Chicago. Mr. Pettit has lived in Bement from childhood until about two years ago. He was at one time leader of the Bement band.

The bride is the only daughter of Hudson Martin a prominent business man of this city. She is greatly admired in her large circle of friends.

MET ONLY TO PART

German Woman Beheaded at Virden After Joining Her Husband.

Carlinville, Jan. 18—Mrs. George Sabal was beheaded at Virden this afternoon into by a Jacksonville and St. Louis passenger train. The woman landed in McKeysport, Pa., ten days ago from Germany and was met by her husband at the train in Virden. They had not seen each other for ten years. After the affectionate meeting they started for the home the husband had prepared for them, and in attempting to cross the tracks ahead of the engine the lady's dress became entangled in the wheels of the engine and she was drawn under. The husband and bystanders were panic stricken and no assistance could be offered. The woman was 33 years of age and leaves a son in Germany.

MINERS' STATE MEETING

Hold Eleventh Annual Convention at Springfield in February.

Springfield, Jan. 18—The eleventh annual state convention of the United Mine Workers of America will be held in this city, Feb. 13. This meeting has just been called and will be a very important one, as it will be held soon after the Indianapolis joint conference of miners and operators and the action of that meeting will be discussed and will in a measure color the action taken by the miners of Illinois.

Representatives to the convention will be on the following basis: One vote for each one hundred (100) members or majority fraction thereof. Local unions having less than one hundred (100) members will be entitled to one vote provided their number be not less than ten (10) members.

Massey-Farran Wedding.

Maroa, Jan. 18—The marriage of Frank Massey and Miss Lulu Farran was celebrated at the home of the bride's father, William H. Farran, three miles northeast of Maroa, Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock, Rev. Pierce, pastor of the M. E. church of Argenta, in a simple but impressive manner spoke the necessary words which united them. The bride is the youngest daughter of W. H. Farran, a prominent farmer, living three miles northeast of here and is an amiable young lady. Mr. Massey is a son of Mrs. Massey, a wealthy farmer, living eight miles northeast of this city, and is an energetic young man. They will live on Mrs. Massey's farm, northeast of here, near Shiloh church.

To Sell Brunot's Farm.

Taylorville, Jan. 18—A petition was filed in the county court today by P. M. D. Dowdall, guardian of Henry Brunot, sentenced to life imprisonment for murder for an order to sell Brunot's farm in Assumption township. The farm is valued at $3000. Fannie Downey holds a mortgage for $1500 on the property, subject to the dowery rights of Emma Brunot, the prisoner's mother.

Sibley's Threat.

Taylorville, Jan. 18—Fred Sibley under life sentence for the murder of Jane Brunot has made a threat that he will never be taken to the penitentiary alive. He says that he will kill himself in the jail before the time comes for his removal.

Will Not Raise Price.

Springfield, Jan. 18—A meeting of the barbers of this city was held to consider the proposal to raise the price of a shave from 10 to 15 cents but the proposition was voted down.

Downey's Trial.

Litchfield, Jan. 18—The trial of Sheriff Downey charged with the shooting of Thomas Furlong has been continued January 27. Furlong is rapidly improving and will recover.

Lockjaw.

Springfield, Jan. 18—Daniel Richard Welsh aged 13 years died today after an illness of a few days with lockjaw. About a week ago he was run over by a train and lost his foot.

E. J. Rhodes a Candidate.

Taylorville, Jan. 18—Edward J. Rhodes has announced himself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for circuit clerk.

Black And White.

Pekin, Jan. 18—George A. Baker, a colored man and Cora White a white woman, both of Canton were married in this city by Justice Rapp.

DIDN'T SHOOT

Officer Granger Says Little About the Litchfield Affair.

Officer Granger of the Wabash will go to Litchfield tomorrow to answer the charge of assaulting Tom Furlong. A week ago some one shot Furlong and Sheriff Downey of Taylorville is under bonds to appear in Litchfield today to answer that charge Officer Granger is under bonds in the sum of $100 to answer the charge of assault. When asked for a statement Officer Granger said: "I prefer not to talk about the case because there is to be a preliminary trial on Saturday. I am under bonds for assaulting Furlong. On the evening in question I was on the depot platform when passenger train No. 7 came into Litchfield. I saw some fellows on the platform of the front car. A part of my business is to look after bums riding on trains. I handed my overcoat to a man standing near and went to the place where the fellows were getting off of the train I took hold of Furlong and had a tussle with him and then he broke away and ran. He ran south, the direction in which the train was headed. He was perhaps 70 feet in front of the engine when some one shot him. I did not shoot him nor have I ever been accused of shooting him by those persons who were witnesses of the affair. I did not have my revolver on my person at the time that Furlong was shot. Beyond that I prefer to say nothing because the preliminary hearing is to be held Saturday and I might say something that might prejudice my case."

COUNTY COURT

Will of Hakan Nilsson Probated—Child Adopted.

In the county court yesterday the will of the late Hakan Nilsson was admitted to probate and G. R. Bacon qualified as executor. The estate consists of a small amount of personal property which is bequeathed to the father of the testator, Nils Christofferson of Soderhveddinge, Sweden, and a house and lot in S. O. Allen's subdivision which is to go jointly to his father and to his aunt, Bendickta Christofferson of Kalmar, Sweden and if either should die the other is to have all of the property.

Judge Hammer entered an order that Robert and Sarah M. Rogan be permitted to adopt Eva Harris.

Deeds Recorded.

Harrison Graham to Moses Graham onefourth interest in 20 acres in the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of 18, 15, 1east; $250.

James E. Osborne to Stephen E. Attebery lot 8 in Wm. Birk's addition to Decatur; $1000.

Callie R. Hunt to Irene Reeve lot 3 in J. C. Hostetler's resurvey of lot 7 in the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of 10, 16, 2 east; $1.

John A. Dawson to J. B. Prestley lot 20 in block 3 in Higgins' addition to Decatur; $1.

No Demand Here.

"Today we received eight cases of fresh eggs that are really strictly fresh," said a poultry shipper. "That would in season not be more than a drop in the bucket but the fact is that it is the largest lot we have received any one day since last October—that is of fresh country eggs. We paid 15 cents for them. There will be no market here for them and we will ship them east. Why is there no market? Because we are selling the grocers cold storage eggs at 12½ and 13 cents per dozen and they will not pay 16 or 17 cents for fresh eggs so long as they can get and sell the stored eggs."

Realized a Good Price.

J. L. Thayer, the former real estate agent, is congratulating himself upon lucky marketing of 17 head of steers which were raised on his farm in Douglas county. Just ten days ago today he delivered them in Chicago and sold them at $5.60 per hundred. The steers averaged something over 1300 pounds and brought an average price of $70.56 each. Yesterday Mr. Thayer received a letter from his brother, who lives in Chicago, the brother stating that he did not know of anyone who had made a more fortunate sale than Mr. Thayer had.

Marriage Licenses.

Solomon Lee, Decatur	24
Willie M. Croumbaugh, Princeton, Ky.	19
John M. Herbert, Decatur	22
Maude Williams, Columbus, O.	22
John H. McCoy, Springfield	35
Mrs. Minnie Wickard, Springfield	22
John F. Laymon, Decatur	43
Mrs. Ella N. Laymon, Decatur	43

Not Guilty.

The jury in the Montgomery county circuit court returned a verdict that Henson, the man charged with stealing brasses from the Wabash company was not guilty. The railroad men were nonplussed at the result. So were the other persons interested in the prosecution. There will be other cases against Henson for the Big Four and the Jacksonville road also lost a lot of brasses.

Farm Homes.

Recently C. M. Durning purchased a fine farm north of Mt. Zion and he is now improving it. Contractor C. R. Saudders is in charge of the work which is building a seven room house and a big barn.

E. R. Elliott is building a five room house on his farm a short distance south of Mt. Zion.

Not Hurt.

Mail Carrier Kit Welch has the outlying districts and delivers letters at Riverside and such places. He rides horseback when the roads are heavy. Wednesday in Riverside his horse fell and Welch was thrown and the horse fell upon him. Fortunately the soft condition of the roads saved him from any serious injury.

IS A CANDIDATE

Gov. Tanner Materializes As An Active Aspirant For the U. S. Senate.

CLUB AT STATE CAPITAL

Effort Will Be Made to Organize Sangamon County For Him.

THE RESOLUTIONS THEY ADOPTED

Springfield Journal: At a meeting of some of the friends and supporters of Gov. John R. Tanner held last night in the Odd Fellows building the Sangamon county Tanner club was organized. The club starts out with a membership of several hundred republican residents of Springfield. The work of organizing the townships throughout the county will begin at once and clubs will be organized in every ward in the city. A permanent organization was effected at the meeting and the following officers were elected.

President, Stephen L. Littler; vice president, Harry Wilson; secretary, E. A. DeFrates.

The meeting last night was attended by 150 republicans. It was called to order by U. G. Hinman. He was elected vice president, but declined in favor of Mr. Williamson. A constitution and set of bylaws were adopted. The preamble of the constitution sets forth the object of the club as follows:

"The Sangamon County Tanner club is formed for the purpose of securing to the publicans of Sangamon county better methods in politics and of forming a new organization in opposition to the old machine. In this cause, we solicit the earnest support of all good republicans."

The president of the club is empowered to appoint the executive committee. The duties of this committee will be to effect a plan of organization in every township and voting precinct in the county. Weekly meetings of the club are to be held.

William J. Butler and Rev. Jordan Chavis delivered addresses at the meeting.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, there is an evident disposition on the part of certain would be politicians in Illinois to strike down stalwart republican leaders and to 'Chicize' the republican party in this state and

"Whereas, it has been the method of certain political leaders and men holding high office for many years to resort to methods of duplicity, misrepresentation and double dealing in their efforts to retain power and political prestige, and

"Whereas, in the opinion of this assemblage the time has arrived to adopt again the methods of such gallant and patriotic leaders as the lamented Gen. John A. Logan, who never lost a fight, who never went behind the bush to dodge a friend or knife an enemy, who believed in meeting all opposition in the open and in calling things by their proper names; therefore, this club, composed of the sturdy manhood of the voters of Sangamon county is organized; and

"Whereas, we believe that in Gov. John R. Tanner, a stalwart of the stalwarts, who always has an opinion to express upon all vital public questions and who is never afraid to express it; who was never known to desert a friend nor to retreat in the face of an enemy; who is absolutely fearless in espousing the cause of the right as he sees it, and who was never known to change horses in the middle of a stream; who after giving to the state of Illinois the best, most prosperous and least assailable administration as governor within the history of the state, refused to be a candidate for renomination for governor, because convinced by representations made that his candidacy would endanger the success of some of his most loyal and staunch supporters and friends, we have today the greatest surviving stalwart in the republican party:

"We take great pleasure in christening the Sangamon county Tanner club, pledging to him our support as our leader in republican politics, and requesting and urging him to be the candidate of the republican party in the state of Illinois for United States senator to succeed the Hon. Shelby M. Cullom when his present term shall expire.

ATWOOD'S SENSATION

David Mumper Brings Suit For Damages Against His Wife's Sweetheart.

The village of Atwood is having sensation plenty these days and the gossips have something new to talk of each day. In the circuit court of Piatt county by his attorneys, Lodge & Hicks, David Mumper has brought suit against Theodore Gross, Jr., charging him with the alienation of the affections of Mrs. Mumper and asking damages in the sum of $10,000. In advance of all that, however, there was plenty to keep the gossips of Atwood well supplied.

Some time ago Mumper became convinced of the infidelity of his wife and they separated, she going to the home of her father, Joseph Merritt, who evidently took little or no stock in the things which had inspired the jealousy of the husband. One day after the separation Mumper went to the home of his father-in-law to visit his wife. During their talk the wife became a victim of hysteria and her cries aroused her father and two of her brothers. Rushing into the room and finding her in tears they jumped at the conclusion that she had been abused by her husband and they next jumped on him. They did a good job and pummeled him to a finish. It is a wonder that he ever got away. His face was cut and bruised and he was a sorry looking object.

Joseph W. Merritt, the father-in-law of Mumper, is a justice of the peace. In his official capacity the old man issued a warrant for the arrest of his son-in-law. Mumper was arraigned on a charge of disorderly conduct and entered a plea of guilty and his father-in-law assessed a fine. Before he could get out of court Mumper was seized and searched. A revolver was found in his pocket and a complaint was made against him. That case was continued until yesterday. In the meantime he was arrested on a warrant issued from another justice shop, charging him with carrying concealed weapons. He entered a plea of guilty to that charge and as a result when he was arraigned before his father-in-law yesterday that charge was dismissed.

Mumper was an undertaker. Somehow his father-in-law got hold of the key to Mumper's place of business. The old man barred his son-in-law and the latter said that he saw that he could not get possession of his place of business without a law suit so he sold out to the first man that would buy.

While the older Merritt was having all of that fun with Mumper the latter was getting ready to file his bill of complaint against Gross and now that step has been taken. The affair has created not a little excitement in Atwood, where all of the persons interested are well known. The damage suit will come up for a hearing at the February term of court.

CIRCUIT COURT

Breach of Promise Case Goes to the Jury Today.

All of the time yesterday in the circuit court was occupied with the Gavin-Baker breach of promise suit. The arguments were under way when court adjourned for the day. The case will go to the jury this forenoon: These were the orders entered on the dockets:

CHANCERY.

Maggie C. White vs. George F. White et al; injunction and divorce. Leave to withdraw petition for alimony and affidavit and decree pro confesso.

Savings Fund Building Association vs. Chas. T. Haigh et al; foreclosure. Leave to amend bill instanter and rule to answer tomorrow forenoon.

Frank L. Winters et al vs. Alex Rodgers et al; partition. Decree pro confesso as to defendants not answering original bill and referred for proof and conclusion.

Maud Tullis vs. Clifford E. Tullis; divorce. Cause heard and decree as prayed.

People's Savings and Loan Association vs. Randolph J. Simpson et al; foreclosure.

Decree pro confesso and referred for proof and conclusion.

Henry Haub vs. Wm. W. Kile et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso and referred.

Frank P. Smallwood vs. Orville B. Gotin et al; chancery. Leave to amend demurrer and answer to seconded bill.

LAW.

Atlanta Refining Co. for use, etc., vs. Huff Bros. Lumber Co.; appeal. Dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Ed. L. Pegram vs. John H. Culvert; confession. Leave to file additional pleas instanter.

Says He is Insane.

Last night the police arrested Scott Winnings, of Lake City. He was on the edge of the tremens. The man has been a heavy drinker and his indulgence is responsible for his present condition.

Stole Hides.

Marshal Applegate yesterday received information that slaughter houses at Assumption and Moweaqua had been robbed. From the former 18 and from the latter 9 hides were stolen.

FARMERS COLUMN

BROOMCORN SEED—We have 50 bushels choice Tennessee evergreen at, $3 per bushel while it lasts. Sample mailed if requested. Call at our mill office or address Suffern, Hunt & Co., Decatur, Ill.—Jan16-w2

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WANTED—The farmers to know I have again taken charge of the auditorium feed yard, 352 East Prairie, and invite my old patrons and as many new ones to call on me when in the city. I. A. Harkrader.—J9-swiwks

FOR SALE—$1800 property for $1200 if taken soon. Six rooms, all conveniences, barn and outbuildings. will trade for from two (2) to three (3) hundred dollars worth of stock and farm implements. Call at 1503 N. Clayton St., Decatur, Ill.—5-wiw

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—J2-dtf

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ALL SHE ASKED FOR

Jury Gives Ella Baker Damages In the Sum of Ten Thousand Dollars.

WAS EASY FOR THE JURY

Two Macon Men Who Have Disagreed About a Partnership Get Into Court to Settle.

THE DOCKET ORDERS YESTERDAY

In the circuit court Thursday afternoon in the suit of Ella Baker vs. James Gavin for breach of promise, the jury returned a verdict against the defendant, that he is guilty, and assessed the damages against him in the sum of $10,000, the full amount of the demand of the plaintiff. The defendant at one entered a motion for new trial and that will be argued later.

The verdict of guilty was not a surprise to those who had heard the testimony but there was not a little surprise that the jury fixed the damages at the full demand of the plaintiff. That was not so much perhaps because she didn't deserve all that she asked for, but it is rare indeed that the demand is completely recognized by the jury. There is of course speculation on the possibility of satisfying a judgment for that amount against the defendant. Persons who pretend to know say that the defendant is worth that much and more, or that he will be when the estate of his father is settled. There is said to be a farm of several hundred acres which his mother holds during her life time and that it is then to be divided between Gavin and his sister. The prosecution was conducted by Messrs. Shelley Bros. and I. A. Buckingham and the defense was conducted by Messrs. J. M. Gray and Mills & Fitzgerald.

The jury in this case retired a short time before noon and returned to court with the verdict at 3 o'clock. One of the jurors said that they were from the first unanimous as to the guilt of the defendant and that they were practically unanimous as to the amount of damages to be assessed.

A HORSE TRADE.

When court adjourned the case of Ed Posey vs. Julius Klein was on trial. It is an appeal from the court of Justice Daggett at Macon, where it was first heard months ago. Klein was the owner of a race horse known as Lavina Wilkes. Posey was a horse trainer. There was some sort of an agreement between these men about handling the horse. Posey says that it was agreed that he should handle the horse and campaign her during the racing season and that he was to receive half of the money that was thus made. The horse was campaigned during the season of '98 and little or no money was made. Again during the season of 1899 the horse was campaigned again. At Greenville the horse was taken sick and was sent to Decatur. Posey says further that it was agreed that in case the horse was sold he was to receive from the sale price the sum of $200. He declares that he was opposed to sending the horse home and that action left him in the way of being out of employment. For that reason he declares that he was entitled either to $1.25 per day for his services in handling the horse for 133 days, or he was entitled to $200 from the sale price of the mare. Before Justice Daggett he sued and obtained judgment for $179 and Klein has appealed the case.

Klein denies the story of Posey from end to end. He says that it was a partnership affair. He furnished the horse Posey furnished the experience in handling racers, and it was agreed that the horse should be handled by Posey and they would share the profits or the losses as the case might be. Shelley Bros. represent Klein and I. R. Mills and John Fitzgerald appear for Posey.

These orders were entered yesterday:

LAW.

Michael Duggan vs. Christian C. Crandall; debt. Leave to file additional counts instanter and rule to plead to same by next Thursday.

Ella Baker vs. James Gavin; assumpsit. Jury retired. Verdict that defendant is guilty and damages assessed at $10,000. Motion by defendant for new trial.

E. L. Pogram vs. Samuel Betz; confession. Motion for continuance overruled. Two cases.

E. L. Pogram vs. F. M. Burns et al; confession. Same order.

Watkins L. Ryder vs. F. M. Burns; confession. Same order.

W. L. Ryder vs. Samuel Betz; confession. Same order.

Stephen D. Fitzhugh vs. Wm. C. Able; case. Motion by plaintiff for continuance. Motion contested and cause continued.

Ed Posey vs. Julius Klein, appellant; appeal. Trial by jury.

CHANCERY.

Mills Lumber Co. vs. Charles E. Schroll et al; mechanics' lein. Dismissed at cost of complainant.

Daniel Stookey vs. John M. Miller et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso and referred to master.

Savings Fund Building Association vs. Margaret A. Wiggins et al; foreclosure. Master's report approved. Decree for $907 and costs; $35 for solicitor's fee.

Aultman-Taylor Machinery Co., vs. T. Monson McArty, et al; foreclosure. Leave to file crossbill by next Saturday forenoon.

Savings Fund Building Association vs. Chas. T. Haigh et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso as to defendants not answering amend bill and referred.

Rose Maddox vs. James Maddox; divorce. Leave to file amended bill and withdraw original bill.

The grand jury has returned 12 indictments to the court but has not finished the business in hand. Two of the indictments were against Chester Robinson, the boy who shot Edmund Roby at a dance near Casner several weeks ago. One indictment charges an assault with intent to kill and the other with carrying concealed weapons.

Jim Bailey is indicted for burglary and larceny for looting the Salvation Army barracks.

Charles Price, a colored boy, is indicted for burglary and larceny.

Ed Llewellyn must answer the charge of engineering a confidence game. He is said to have induced fellows to bet on a fake foot race. All of these defendants are in the county jail. Other indictments were withheld because none of the defendants have been apprehended.

HANDSOME RECEPTION

Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Brown Entertain at Their Home on West Macon.

At their pleasant home at 440 West Macon street Dr. and Mrs. Everett J. Brown last evening between the hours of 7 and 11 received nearly 300 of their friends, spending the most delightful hospitalities throughout the evening. Receiving with the host and hostess were Dr. Brown's mother, Mrs. Josiah Brown, Mrs. Brown's father, Dr. L. W. Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Murphey. The party were stationed in the reception room. The guests were received at the door by Messrs. John Clugston and Frank Curtis, who acted as ushers. Assisting in the drawing room, library and dining room were Mrs. Frank Roby, Mrs. R. S. Bohon, Mrs. Frank Curtis, Mrs. S. M. Lutz, Mrs. George Moeller and Mrs. Frank Roach. Miss Jane Roby and Miss Eugene Harris presided over the frappe bowl in the early evening and later Miss Adele Blackstone and Miss Bess Young were in charge.

The floral decorations which were arranged under the direction of Mrs. Frank Roach and Mrs. Frank Curtis were artistically distributed. The reception hall was in palms and American beauties, the palms decorating the stairway, standing high above the newel posts. The color scheme was red and green and the manner in which it was developed in the dining room was original. The round table was covered with a padded cover of crepe paper of a light green shade. About the edge of the table was a full ruffle of the paper headed with a wreath of smilax with tiny strands of the vine wandering down over the ruffle. The flower pot in the center which held a blooming poinsettia was arranged with the paper opening into a full loose frill at the top and this was headed as was the table cover with the wreath of smilax. The center globe of the chandelier was treated in a similar manner and the smaller globes were shaded with the paper decorated with smilax. Meteor roses were used on the mantles and tables in the library and drawing room and the strands of smilax adorned window frames, doorways and chandeliers. A very striking arrangement of the smilax was used between the portieres hanging in the doorway between the dining room and drawing room, the space being filled in with a lattice work of the vine and the doorway draped with heavy ropes of the same.

The refreshments bore out the red and green idea. Mrs. Snyder served and the mandolin orchestra played. The first two hours were given to the older people and the last two to the younger set.

HAD A CLOSE CALL

High School Boy Tries Dangerous Experiment of Jumping on Train.

Roy Haines, a High school student, 17 years of age, narrowly escaped being made a cripple for life on Thursday morning. In fact it was only that the track was slippery and his shoe was wet that saved him from having his foot cut off by the wheels of a car on the Illinois Central train No. 173, which was just getting ready to leave the yards and on which he jumped at East William street intending to ride one block on his way to school. He swung on the side ladder of the freight car and when he attempted to put his left foot on the journal box his foot slipped and he was thrown under the train. He had the presence of mind to make an effort to withdraw his foot from the track as he rolled over and succeeded so well that a severe flesh wound was the only result of what at a dry time would have been a crushed foot. As it was no bones were broken. The flesh on the top of the foot was torn and a part of the little toe was taken off. The boy was carried into Caldwell's coal office and the Illinois Central physicians, Dr. Cass Chenoweth and Dr. H. C. Jones, were called to attend him. There was a hasty examination and Dr. Jones temporarily dressed the foot and the boy was carried to his home a few blocks distant on East Eldorado street where the family physician, Dr. John T. Miller, took charge of him. The injured boy is the son of Edward Haines, the barber.

ASKING AN INJUNCTION

State of Missouri Takes Drainage Case to Supreme Court.

Washington, Jan. 18—The state of Missouri by its attorney general, E. B. Crow made an application in the supreme court, today and asked leave to file a bill praying for an injunction against the state of Illinois, and city of Chicago to restrain them from operating the recently opened drainage canal. The principal ground of the objection raised is that the sewage from the canal will pollute the water of the Mississippi river. The court took the motion but did not indicate what action would be taken.

New Postmasters.

Washington, Jan. 18—The following appointments were confirmed by the senate: Postmasters, Iowa—L. E. Blandine, Marathon; George S. Crandall, Schaliner; W. H. Gordy, Corwith; C. L. Hartinger, Alden; W. D. Junkin, Rock Rapids; F. A. Christon, Lake Mills; B. F. Keables, Pella; G. Knudson, Jewell; W. C. Marsha, Aurelia; C. H. Wickersham West Branch.

Wisconsin—T. Riel, Burlington.

South Dakota—D. E. Ward, Dell Rapids; P. W. Carr, Flandreau.

Michigan—G. Preston, Grass Lake; B. F. Warner, Paw Paw; H. B. Wells, Ishpeming.

PUBLIC SALE.

Hess Janvrin will conduct a public sale of stock and farm implements at his farm three miles southwest of Warrensburg on Wednesday, February 7.

ARE COMING BACK

Implement Dealers Like the Town Well Enough to Return Next Year.

SALES AT THE STATE FAIR

Objection Made to Manufacturers And Jobbers Making Sales On the Grounds.

ASK THAT THIS BE STOPPED

The second day's session of the Central Illinois Retail Implement Dealers' association convened Wednesday morning in the K. of P. hall in the Powers block. As on the day before the business was mostly of a nature that concerned only the members of the association and only members of the association were admitted to the session.

There was general discussion on the subject of "Credits and Collections" which was led by C. B. Griffiths of Rushville. The subject was one that stands close to the success or the failure of the implement dealers and many of them told of their experiences in giving credits and their success in the collections. It was developed that there was a great diversity in the manner of looking after that end of the implement business and the discussion brought out the fact that there were many points where the dealers could profit by an exchange of ideas and the recounting of their experiences in the business.

"Their Duties as Members and the Treatment of Competitors," was the subject of a general discussion which was led by Matthew Sproul, of Sparta, and James Chalacombe, of Nokomis. The line of discussion indicated that the members of the association felt that fair and honorable treatment was the best manner of dealing with a competitor.

By almost a unanimous vote it was decided to change the name of the association, dropping the "Central" and leaving it the "Illinois Retail Implement Dealers' Association."

The following resolutions were introduced and adopted:

James A. Earhart—Resolved, It is the sense of this convention that it does not pay to peddle, canvass and to deliver implements and vehicles.

F. M. Tenney—Resolved, That this association adopt a badge or button to be worn by each member of the association and that each member promise to wear continuously such button in a conspicuous place.

That a committee be appointed by the chair to select such a badge and that each member purchase such badge at the exact cost of the same.

Reed Spencer—Resolved, That we petition the State Board of Agriculture of the state of Illinois to prevent the sale of agricultural implements and vehicles at retail at the Illinois state fair.

O. T. Meyers and C. Pereboom—Resolved, That we, the Illinois Retailers and Implement Dealers' Association, condemn the course of certain jobbers and manufacturers in retailing vehicles and machinery to farmers or consumers direct from samples as shown at state and county fairs.

COMMITTEES.

The chair appointed the following committees during the afternoon:

Auditing—D. C. Honniss, W. H. Garvin, George M. Ashmore.

Transportation—E. W. Hall, A. W. Sikking, Matt Sproul, James Earhart, W. W. Harris.

Nominations—H. F. Day, M. J. Napier, A. T. Jenkins, W. L. Stroh, J. Andrews.

Convention—W. G. Mack, C. H. Hickman, C. Pereboom, A. M. Stratton.

Reception—W. P. Morris, C. B. Griffith, Henry Parish, J. Seamion, J. M. Hughes, A. W. Sikking, C. H. Travis, V. Hawthorne, M. M. Harold, D. VanCurran.

By-Laws—H. F. Tenney, F. B. Tait, James Earhart.

Registration—W. W. Parish, J. M. Hughes, Bruce Snyder.

Grievance—Wm. Cooper, W. Bradbury, E. W. Murvel.

Insurance—Matt Sproul, R. A. Parrott, D. D. Watson, Felix Garver, John W. Boyle.

It was decided to hold the next convention in Decatur the second Tuesday and Wednesday in January, 1901, to which time the convention adjourned.

HAPPILY REUNITED

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Laymon Reunited After a Separation of Five Years.

At their home 824 East Condit street Thursday evening John S. Laymon and Mrs. Ella Laymon were remarried after a separation of five years. The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. B. Spayd of the United Brethern church and was witnessed by the three children of the couple, aged 18, 10 and 8 years. The scene was one of the happiest ever witnessed at a wedding in this city. Five years ago the couple were divorced and Mr. Laymon left the city and did not return until yesterday. Recently the couple had corresponded and they agreed to overlook the past and take up their married life again.

J. H. M'COY-WICKARD.

John H. McCoy and Mrs. Minnie Wickard of Springfield were married Thursday night at the residence of L. Dayton, 515 East Herkimer street. Rev. M. B. Spayd of the United Brethern church was the officiating clergyman. The wedding took place at 6 o'clock. The groom is a teamster at Springfield.

HERBERT-WILLIAMS.

John M. Herbert of Decatur, Ill., and Miss Maud Williams of Columbus, Ohio were married at the residence of Rev. J. W. Eckman, 832 West Wood street at 8 o'clock p. m., Jan. 18, in the presence of a number of relatives and friends.

CONDITION IS CRITICAL.

The condition of the little son of Officer Dunnagan was so critical last night that his recovery was despaired of by the relatives.

MORGAN'S VIEWS

He Urges the Necessity of the Building of the Nicaragua Canal.

NECESSARY TO OUR DEFENSE

It Ought to Yield 12 Per Cent. On a Cost of $140,000,000.

HENRY K. CARROLL'S REPORT

Suggests a Territorial Government For the Island of Porto Rico.

Washington, Jan. 18—Senator Morgan as chairman of the senate committee on interoceanic canals today presented a written report upon the Nicaragua canal bill in which he says:

"As a provision for the naval and military defense of our country, whether insular or continental, this canal is indispensable and the closer its location is made to our states on the Gulf of Mexico the more efficient would be its protection to our coasts on the Atlantic and Pacific.

"Measured by the income of the Suez canal, at a corresponding cost, the Nicaragua canal should yield with equivalent rates of tolls, at least 12 per cent on $140,000,000.

"It is too severe a tax upon credulity to ask the adoption of the precarious water supply at Panama in preference to the two grand lakes of the Nicaragua route as part of the canal route.

Henry K. Carroll, special commissioner for the United States to Puerto Rico, under appointment by the president to investigate the civil, industrial, financial and social conditions of the island, has made a report, recommending that the constitution and laws of the United States be extended to Puerto Rico; that the territorial form of government, similar to that established in Oklahoma, be provided; that the legal voters of the island be permitted to elect delegates to congress.

MEDICAL SOCIETY

Programme For the First Meeting—Country Doctors Invited.

The program for the first regular meeting of the newly re-organized Macon County Medical society which will be held on Thursday evening, Jan. 25, in the office of Dr. W. B. Hostetler is completed. It will constitute a symposium on diphtheria and will be given as follows:

"Etiology and Bacteriological Diagnosis," Dr. C. Martin Wood.

"Clinical Diagnosis," Dr. Cass Chenoweth.

"General and Medical Treatment," Dr. W. C. Bowers.

"Anti-toxine," Dr. Tyler Merriweather.

"Intubation and Tracheotomy," Dr. Wm. Barnes.

"Prevention and Disinfection," Dr. H. C. Jones.

"Complication and Sequel," Dr. W. B. Hostetler.

One very interesting feature of the program will be a talk by Dr. C. E. Wilkinson of Monticello on "Recent Epidemic in Monticello." This subject is extremely apropos and will be heard with a great deal of interest.

Dr. W. C. Wood, secretary and treasurer of the society will issue circular letters to the physicians out of the city and in Macon county asking their presence at the meeting and explaining the plans and purpose of the society as follows:

Dear Doctor: On Sunday, Dec. 19 last the Decatur Medical society which has been quiescent for ten or twelve years was reorganized and it is now proposed to have a live society with such interesting and profitable meetings that every regular practitioner in good standing in Decatur and surrounding towns will become an enthusiastic member and help to promote fraternity, ethics and our knowledge of the ills of the human kind and how to cure them.

You are invited and urged to attend the next meeting of the society on Thursday, Jan. 25 at 8 p. m. in the office of Dr. W. B. Hostetler 145 North Water street and to present your name to Dr. E. A. Morgan chairman of the board of censors.

All proposed members must be passed upon by the board of censors and reported to the society. When accepted they are required to sign the constitution and to pay an initiation fee of one dollar.

A program committee will prepare a program for each regular meeting, the last Thursday in each month.

Permanent quarters will be determined upon at the next meeting.

The program will include papers upon the various branches of practice with reports of cases of interest, exhibition of specimens, microscopical slides, etc., etc.

TURNED BRYAN DOWN

Maryland Democrats Refuse to Recognize Him As the Leader.

Annapolis, Jan. 18—The Maryland house delegates which is overwhelmingly democratic, today refused to endorse Bryan as "the recognized leader of the democracy of the United States," and practically killed the resolution by free silver advocate to invite Bryan to address the body.

Willis, who introduced the resolution asked that it be considered without reference, but the proposition was voted down and the speaker referred it to the committee on federal relations, where it probably will find its grave.

For a Philippine Cable.

Washington, Jan. 18—Mr. Corliss of Michigan introduced in the house a bill for the construction by the government of a cable between this county, Hawaii, Guam, Philippines and other countries. The bill which is substantially is the same as that of last year, limits the cost to $8,000,000.

WHEAT IS LOWER

The Close Thursday Showed a Loss of From S-8 to 1-2 Cent.

CORN WAS A TRIFLE WEAKER

Cattle Market Is Away Down As a Result of the Heavy Receipts.

A GOOD DEMAND FOR HOGS

Chicago, Jan. 18—Wheat fairly active, but weaker, further liquidation taking place which carried May to 64⅞ and July to 65½. The close showed ⅝ to ½ loss. Weak cables and bearish Argentine news were the two principal factors. Liverpool was ¾ penny lower. Spot in Liverpool was steady to ¼ lower. Northwest and southwest sold and seaboard bought. Professionals generally favored the buying side on the break and at one time there was ⅝ recovery. Clearings moderate and New York reported 22 bontloads accepted. Consols firm and up ⅝ to ¾ on reports of British successes in South Africa.

Corn—There was a fair trade and considering the break in wheat the market held up fairly well, the close showing but ⅛ to ¼ loss. Weather most unfavorable. Western offerings continue meagre. The market opened strong and a shade higher but eased off ¼ on liquidation by local longs, the action in wheat being disappointing to holders. Cables were easier, Liverpool being ¼ lower and London off ¼. Domestic markets easy. Clearings smaller and shipping demand only moderate. New York reported 22 boat loads.

Oats—Easier and closed ¼ lower. Trading about all in May. The decline in other grains and absence of orders of any consequence on either side was a feature and prices moved within a narrow limit.

GRAIN, FLOUR AND PROVISIONS.

Chicago, Jan. 18—Wheat, Jan. 62¼; May 65⅝.

Corn—Jan. 31; May 33½.

Oats—Jan. 22⅝; May 23⅝ to 24.

Rye—May 52; barley 35 to 45; flax $1.50; timothy, $2.50; clover, $8.25.

Chicago, Jan. 18—Flour dull and easy.

Wheat—Fairly active and weaker, closing lower; No. 2 red no sales; No. 3 spring no sales; May opened 65⅛; highest 65⅝; lowest 64⅞; closed 65⅛.

Corn—Fairly active, closing at decline; No. 2 cash no sales; May opened 32⅝; highest 33⅝; lowest 32⅞; closed 33⅛.

Oats—Easier closing ¼ lower; No. 2 white no sales; No. 3 white no sales.

PROVISIONS.

Pork—Jan. $10.57½; May $10.82½.

Lard—Jan. $5.80 to $5.82½; May $5.97½.

Ribs—Jan. $5.67½; May $5.75.

PRODUCE.

Butter steady; creameries 19 to 24½; dairies 18 to 22.

Eggs steady; 16 to 17.

POULTRY.

Dressed poultry, steady; turkeys 9 to 10½; chickens 7½ to 8½.

HOW PRICES FLUCTUATED.

The following is the range and close of Thursday's grain and provision markets:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesd'y
WHEAT—					
Jan	.....	.....	.....	62¼	61¾
May	65⅛@⅝	65⅝@¾	64⅞	65⅛@¼	65⅛
July	65⅝@⅞	66⅛@¼	65⅛	66⅛	65½@⅝
CORN—					
Jan	31⅛	31⅛	31	31⅛	
May	33⅝@¾	34⅛	33⅛	33⅝	33⅝
July	34⅛@⅝	34⅞	33⅞	34 @⅛	34⅛
OATS—					
Jan	.....	.....	.....	22⅛	22⅛
May	24	24	23⅞	23⅞@24	24⅛
PORK—					
May	10.95	10.97½	10.80	10.82½	10.92½
LARD—					
May	5.95	6.00	5.97½	5.97½	6.02½
RIBS—					
May	5.82½	5.82½	5.75	5.75	5.75¼

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—The following were the receipts and shipments today:

	Receipts.	Ship.
Flour	44	32
Wheat	86	21
Corn	225	257
Oats	211	103

NEW YORK MARKET.

New York, Jan. 18—Wheat receipts—60,000; exports 93,000. Spot steady; No. 2 red 71⅝, f. o. b. afloat prompt; No. 2 red 71 71⅛ elevator.

Option closed firm at ⅝ to ½ net decline, May 71⅝.

Corn—Receipts 72,000; spot steady; No. 2, 40¾ f. o. b. afloat; 40⅝ elevator. Options closed steady, ⅜ net decline. May 39⅝.

Oats—Receipts 150,000. Spot steady; No. 2, 29½; No. 2 white 32; track mixed western 29½ to 31; track white 31½ to 35. Options quiet but steady.

Butter—Steady; western creamery 21 to 25; June creamery 20 to 23½.

Cheese—Firm; large and small 11½ to 13.

Eggs—Steady; western 22.

Coffee—Options closed steady, with prices 15 to 25 points net higher. Total sales 40,750 bags. March $7.10 to $7.15. Spot Rio steady to firm; No. 7 invoice 8 5-16.

Sugar—Raw strong and held higher; fair refining 3 15-16 bid. Molasses sugar 3⅝ bid; centrifugal 96 test 4 11-32 bid. Refined firm.

GRAIN AT PEORIA.

Peoria, Jan. 18—Corn higher; No. 3, 31½.

Oats—Firm; No. 3 white 24 to 24½.

GRAIN AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Jan. 18—Wheat cash 60½; May 67⅞

Corn cash 31; May 33⅝.

Oats cash 24½; May 24⅝.

WHEAT AT MINNEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis, Jan. 18—Wheat lower. May 62⅝ to 62¾; July 64 to 64⅛. Cash No. 1 northern 62¼ to 63⅛; To arrive 62¼ to 62½; No. 2, 60 to 61⅛.

GRAIN AT LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Jan. 18—Wheat spot dull.

LIVE STOCK GOSSIP.

Chicago, Jan. 18—Cattle supplies continue excessive, and prices have been declining steadily every day and cattle are now selling at the lowest figures reached in a long time. Today with receipts 8500 the general market showed no improvement and prices for bulk offerings were 25 to 40 lower than at the close of last week. Fat, well matured heavy beeves have about stopped coming.

Hogs—The receipts today were 26,000 with 9000 carried over yesterday. The market was a nickel higher. The demand continues good and the prices made a fresh record today, prime heavy hogs selling up to $4.80 or a nickel above yesterday's top figures. The market weakened towards the close.

Sheep—Supplies are falling off. Only about 12 000 received today and prices ruled strong under influence good demand.

LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Chicago Jan. 8—Cattle receipts 8500; best steers steady, others slow at yesterday's decline; beeves $4 to $6.50; cows $3 to $4.30; Texans $4.10 to $5; stockers $3.25 to $4.75.

Hogs receipts, 26,000; market generally 2½ to nickel higher; mixed $4.65 to $4.72½; heavy $4.60 to $4.72½; light $4.40 to $4.62½.

Sheep receipts 12,000; market steady; sheep $4.40 to $4.85; lambs $4.50 to $6.35.

ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK.

St. Louis, Jan. 18—Cattle receipts 3000. Market slow and barely steady. Native shippings and beef steers $3.70 to $6.50; stockers and feeders $3.40 to $4.60; cows and heifers $3 to $4.50; Texas steers $3.35 to $4.70.

Hogs—Receipts 9000. Market five higher. Range $4.50 to $4.75.

MONEY AND STOCKS.

New York, Jan. 18—Money on call easier at 2 to 2½ per cent. Prime paper 5 to 6. Sterling exchange firm; demand $4.87⅞ to $4.87⅞; 60 days, $4.83½ to $4.84.

STOCKS.

The stock market conditions showed no marked change from those prevailing for some time past. One or two railroad stocks reflected a fair demand, notably Norfolk & Western issues and Union Pacifics. Baltimore & Ohio stocks also bought in moderate volume. Yesterday's movement of leather from which speculators hoped the market would receive an impulse, dwindled away and profit taking depressed the price. Sugar advanced during the early part of the day, but in the afternoon it broke over five points from top level and unsettled the whole market. Covering by the bears in Sugar and the late demand for Union Pacific stiffened the market again and served to retrieve part of the declines, making close firm and not changed mixed. There was very marked absorption of new and reorganization bonds, which served as a background to the strength of the whole market for securities. The undertone was unmistakably firm and in spite of a very light demand there was no pressure to sell stocks. A further reduction in the Bank of England private rate discount and the weekly return of the bank served to confirm the confidence in the money outlook. The strength in London on this score and on hopes engendered by meagre news from South African causes some reflected strength in the New York stock market.

Decatur Markets.

Decatur, Ill., Jan. 18, 1900.

(These markets are carefully revised daily. Commission Men's Prices.

Butter, ready sale—			
Country, per lb	$ .18	@	.....
Creamery	.24	@	.....
Eggs, per dozen	.16	@	.17
Northern Potatoes	.00	@	.....
Lemons, 300 size	3.50	@	4.00
Bananas, straights, per bunch	1.50	@	2.00
Peanuts, roasted, per lb	.07	@	.08
Peanuts, raw, per lb	.05	@	.06
Apples, per bbl	3.00	@	4.00
Celery, per bunch	.20	@	.....
Sweet potatoes, per brl	3.50	@	4.00
Onions, per bu	.60	@	.75
Oysters—			
Selects, 35c; Red Cross standards, 25c; O. K. standards, 22c; Bulk Oysters, per gallon, $1.10.			
(These prices are paid by grocers.)			
Butter, per lb	$ .15	@	.18
Eggs, per dozen	.17	@	.....
Potatoes, home grown, per bu	.50	@	.55
Onions, per bu	.70	@	.....
Lard, per lb	.06	@	.....
Apples, per bu	.40	@	.60
POULTRY—LIVE WEIGHT.			
Hens, per lb	$ .06	@	.....
Springs	.06½	@	.....
Cocks	.03	@	.....
Ducks	.05	@	.....
Turkeys	.07	@	.08
Geese	.05	@	.....
GRAIN.			
Wheat, No. 2	.65	@	.....
Corn, white	.27	@	.....
Corn, yellow	.26	@	.....
Oats, white	.21	@	.....
Oats, mixed	.20	@	.....
Rye	.55	@	.....
BUTCHER STOCK.			
Hogs, per 100	4.00	@	4.40
Shipping cattle	4.00	@	5.50
Cows	2.75	@	4.00
Heifers	2.75	@	4.25
Butcher steers	3.00	@	4.50
Calves	4.00	@	4.50
Sheep	3.50	@	4.00
Lambs	4.00	@	4.50
HIDES TALLOW, ETC.			
Green hides, per lb	.07½	@	.....
Cured Hides	.08½	@	.....
Tallow, No. 1	.04	@	.....
Tallow, No. 2	.03½	@	.....
Sheep pelts	.25	@	.75
HAY AND STRAW.			
Baled hay—			
Timothy, new	$11.00	@	11.50
Mixed	10.00	@	11.00
Clover	9.00	@	10.50
Straw	6.00	@	.....
Loose hay	1.50	@	2.00
Lower than baled.			
Retail Prices.			
GRAIN			
Oats	.30	@	.....
Corn	.35	@	.....
BALED HAY AND STRAW			
Timothy, per cwt	.60	@	.65
Clover, per cwt	.50	@	.55
Straw per bale	.20	@	.....

Robbed a Postoffice.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—James Francis, a saloon keeper was arrested today on the charge of having robbed the postoffice at Estelline, South Dakota, in 1898. Postoffice Inspector Sullivan of St. Paul claims Francis is identical with James Burke, who was indicted for the robbery and broke jail at Sioux Falls the day before his trial.

Big Shipment.

One day this week A. C. Traughber of Mt. Zion shipped 13 car loads of cattle and one car load of hogs to Chicago. That is said to be the largest shipment of cattle ever made from Zion. The cattle were all in fine condition.

BETHANY.

L. O. St. John has purchased an engraving machine.

Paro Beavers is running a dray with A. R. Beavers team.

Miss Tot Silcock of Lovington visited Miss Lizie Tyin the first of the week.

Several candidates were initiated by the Rebekah lodge Monday evening. Light refreshments were served during the evening.

W. J. Frazier filed the third date of the lecture course Tuesday evening.

F. M. Harwood manager of the Shelby Telephone Co. was here on business connected with the lines. He contemplates some improvements in the near future.

The C. W. B. M. held an open meeting at the Christian church Sunday evening.

Miss Irene Fortner went to Potomac Tuesday morning to attend the wedding of Emil Leonard and Miss Edith Helvie which took place Wednesday.

Elder Herman will preach at Assumption Sunday.

A. R. Scott was a Decatur visitor Monday. Jan. 18.

WELDON.

Miss Hickle of Champaign is visiting Mary Costley.

Isaac Goble will move to town in the spring having rented his farm to Robert Marsh. Mr. Goble has occupied the farm for more than forty years.

Miss Lelia Wollepp of Champaign visited at J. J. Miles' Saturday and Sunday.

Charley Walker now occupies the house vacated by Sam McAlister.

Charley Miles and sister Miss Bonnie drove to Clare Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Blacker from Mason City visited friends here Friday and Saturday.

Putnam Fadeless Dyes are fast to sunlight, washing and rubbing. Sold by Opera House Drug Co.

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